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Net profits for 1938 are stated at \$357,220, compared with \$182,100 for the past year, this being the same as for each of the two preceding years.

The directors of Morris Motors today announced a dividend of 45 per cent. on the £2,650,000 of Ordinary Stock for the past year, this being the first for each of the two preceding years.

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Further Late News**

BROTHERS STARVE TO DEATH

GRIMSBY.

FOR a year three Grimsby brothers lived on nine shillings a week.

One had an Army pension of eight shillings a week, one had 3s. 6d. a week from his club—the other had nothing. They paid 2s. 6d. a week for medicine—and the rest had to buy their food.

The only other means of support they had was 37s. they received twice a year as Freeman of the Borough.

They lived on bread, margarine, potatoes, and milk—and did not get enough of those. Their meagre rations slowly

sapped their strength. They began to starve slowly to death.

DEAD IN BED

Recently one of the three, Colvery McUlrich, was found dead in bed at the home in Kent-street, where he lived with his brothers.

His brother, Albert, was lying ill in the same bed. Albert was taken to the infirmary, where he died.

At the inquest on Colvery later a doctor said that death was due to prolonged under-nourishment. Albert's death also is said to have been contributed to by under-nourishment.

The third brother, Charles Edwin, was asked at the inquest if they had never had public assistance.

He replied: "I was told I could not get it," but a P.A.C. officer said they could have had medical attention as well as relief by asking for it.

FIGURES MATCH

BRISTOW, Okla.

Amazed was the word to describe the post-office staff here. Employees checked and rechecked figures, but their first total was correct. Receipts for the Bristow post office for the last quarter of 1938 were exactly—the penny—the same as for the final three months of 1937. The total was \$7,022.43.

BABIES TEST GAS BAGS IN LONDON

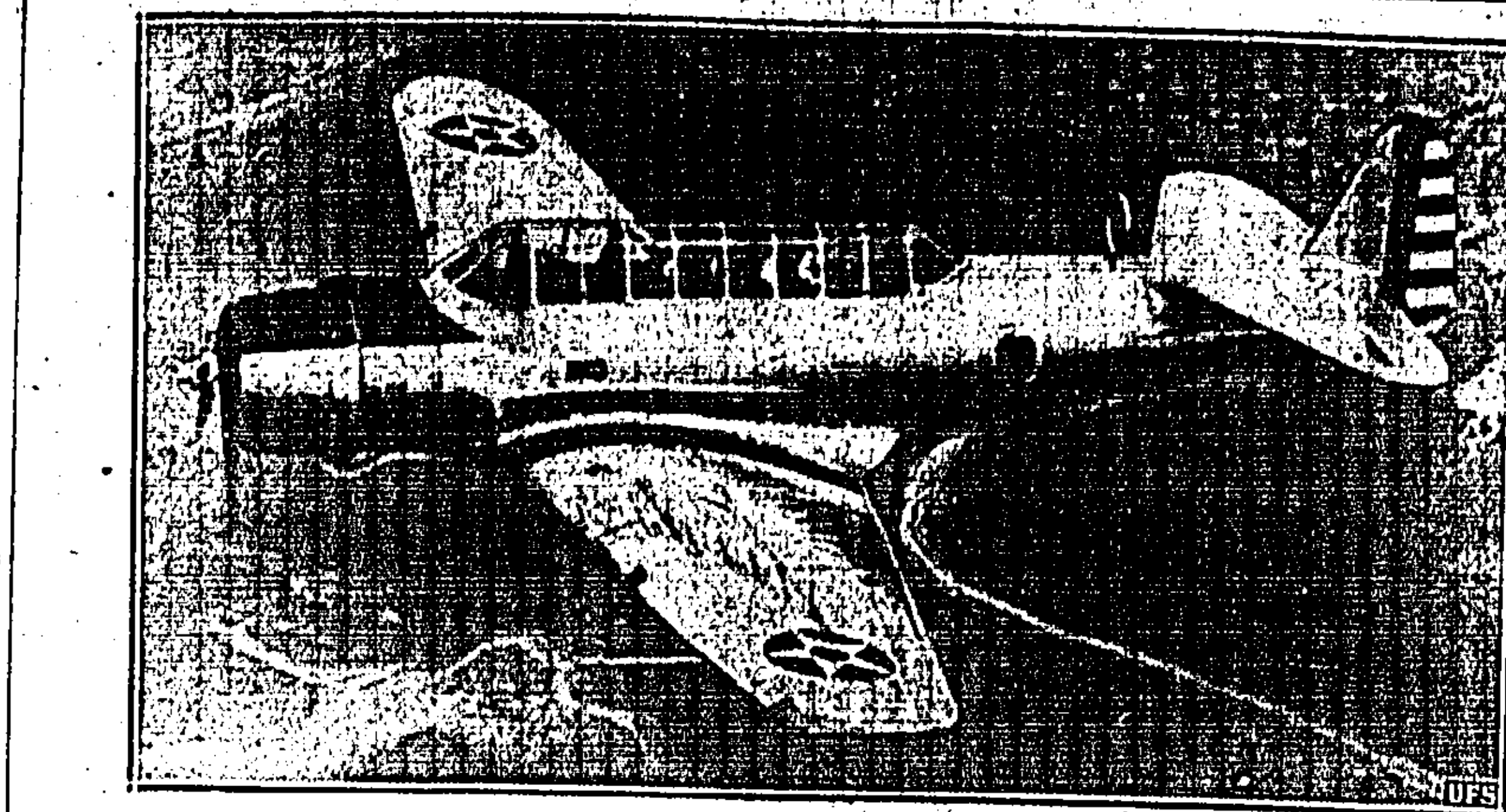
The Home Office have tried out gas bags for babies on some of the families living in the 800 London County Council flats on the Bourne Estate, Holborn, E.C. Some babies thought the bags were new tops; others, according to mothers, nearly choked in them.

TRAGEDIES STRIKE

State College, Pa. College students are not immune to the tragedies of life. Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men at the Pennsylvania State College, has found that each week 18 of Penn

Sir John Anderson, A.R.P. chief, has said in the House of Commons that it is proposed to issue 1,200,000 bags to families with babies under two years.

State's 6,000 students are absent from classes because of deaths in their immediate families.



Here is one of America's newest bombers, an all-metal attack plane, taking its initial flight over Downey, Cal., before delivery to the army. Carrying a crew of three it can attain a speed of 230 miles an hour. It is designed to carry 800 pounds of bombs.

£250,000 Club Has To Use Oil Lamps

AT six o'clock every night Bill Pendor, barman, trims the wicks and lights the two oil lamps on either side of his cocktail bar in the great drawing-room of the Pinewood Club, Iwer, Bucks, the £250,000 millionaire's mansion which for the last two years has been a country club for British film stars.

His customers wear overcoats, for during the last ten days there has

Spinach Cannery Shut Down

SAN JOSE, Cal.

It is presumed that a cry of joy will go up from American youngsters fully as great as the groan of woe that came out of Santa Clara Valley when spinach farmers were informed by several canning concerns that there will be no canning of spinach this year. March is the height of the season for canning spinach, but the carryover from last year is sufficient for the coming year.

been neither central heating nor electric light. Bill Pendor is one of six out of a staff of forty-two club servants who remained on to keep the club open. Their last resident, the film star Mills Astor, left a week ago, because he could no longer see to read in the evenings.

CLOSED DOWN

The heated indoor swimming pool in which stars and guests saw in the New Year of 1939, bathing at midnight under sun-ray lamps, has become a cold plunge; the £100 television set is dark and the sixteen acres of ornamental gardens, wired for flood-lighting, will not light up.

The club has been dark because the £750,000 studio buildings behind it—buildings in which "Pygmalion," "Stolen Life," "The Mikado," "Keep Smiling," and "This Man Is News" were made last year—have been idle since December, and the power plant which serves them and the club has been closed down to save expense.

When Pinewood and Denham studios were amalgamated recently it was agreed to fill the studio floors at Denham first.

The Pinewood Club, which has 1,000 members, is being kept open at a £100 a week personal loss by Mr. Charles Boot, the sixty-five-year-old building and civil engineering magnate, who bought the estate when it was Heatherden Hall, a country residence of the late Colonel Grant Morden, millionaire M.P.

Mr. Boot turned it into a luxury country club, and built the £750,000 film studios behind it.

MODEL VILLAGE

He also built a model village of some 400 houses for studio workers. Now barely a dozen employees of the studio occupy these houses. The block of studio workers' flats is tenanted.

Mr. Boot hopes that the studios will be working again by July.

He leaves for Greece, where he has 3,000 men working on civil engineering projects.

Asked about the future of his £1,000,000 enterprise in British films, he said:

"The British film industry needs a man to organise production. The efforts of many of the people responsible for organisation are erratic and feeble, they are quite unable to realise the forces available, they fail to discern between the good and bad, they strike the thing in a casual way and get in too much that is uncertain and extravagant."

Mr. Boot lists the other weaknesses of the industry as:

(1) Wealthy distributing concerns too little concerned with the need for encouraging British productions, content to take profit from distributing American films.

(2) British technicians and workmen who have taken full advantage of the incompetence of studio managers to hold them up for higher wages and extravagant extra allowances.

Film Director Fined For Smuggling

FARQUAR, G. R. A. Y.

GEORGE TINN, film director husband of a Russian ballet dancer who has appeared at Drury Lane, was fined £300, with ten guineas costs, at Croydon recently for smuggling jewellery.

He tried to evade duty on a gold and ruby wrist watch, valued at £80, a honeymoon present to his wife, a gold dress clip, and a man's steel wrist watch, each worth £11.

Mr. Douglas J. Willson, prosecuting agent, said that when Tin and his wife arrived at the airport from Paris he declared only some Russian books, some medicine and a small box.

Mr. William J. Brooks, Customs officer, said he found the gold clip in a trunk beneath hanging dresses. In another bag he found two watches. In a third was the steel wrist watch, an old one.

'I'M IN A HURRY'

Mr. Alfred Stuart, assistant preventive officer, said Tinn told him he had imported the gold clip last year, and paid duty on it in Folkestone. He was asked to produce the slip, and then said he had brought in 500 other things at the same time. He made a declaration, which he signed.

"When he was asked to make a second declaration about the gold and ruby watch," said Mr. Stuart, "Tinn replied, 'I'm in a great hurry to attend a conference. I will pay £50 for a phone call to anywhere. You may check up and do what you wish.'"

Mr. J. Sutton, chief preventive officer, said when he pointed out to Tinn that the declaration was incorrect, he said, "I treated the form like one would treat an application for a driving licence."

Tinn said he had to admit he did not tell the truth about the gold clip, but he meant to declare the steel watch. He bought the gold and ruby one for his wife while they were on their honeymoon in Cannes in July.

They returned to England in September, and his wife wore the watch then. She also wore it when they went abroad again. He could not

remember whether or not duty had been paid on it.

Mr. Willson, cross-examining, asked him: "Are you so wealthy that you might forget the payment of a sum like £25?"

"Yes," he replied.

Prize Dobermann Acquired

SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

An internationally famous Dobermann pinscher dog has been acquired by J. L. Baptiste, of Schenectady. The dog, Carol van Oevanes, is believed to be the only Dobermann ever to hold championship awards of three countries, America, France and Belgium. In addition, Carol has won many police, war and Red Cross dog training awards.

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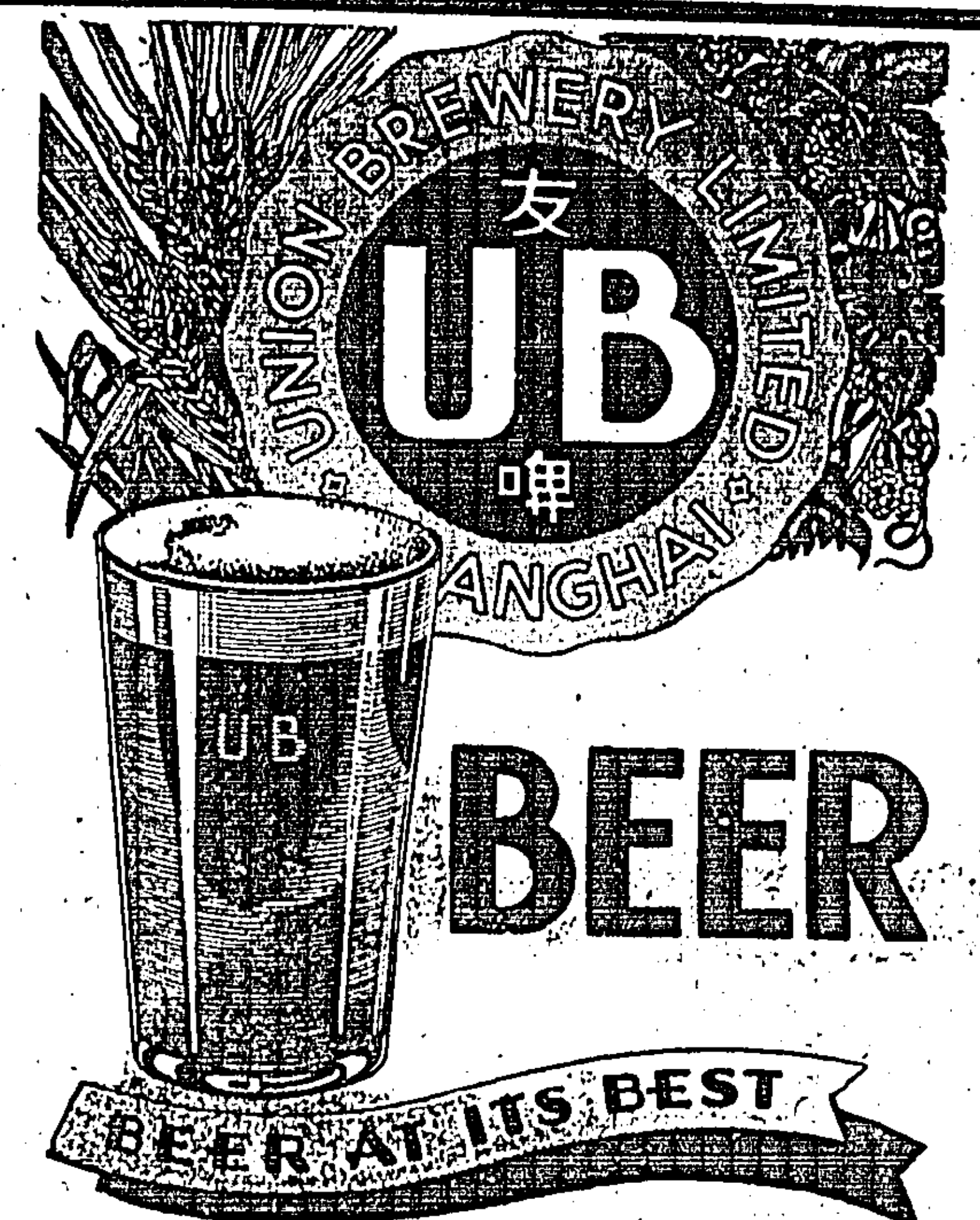
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MR. A. MENZIES SHARPE, the man who introduced gland treatment to the Cup Final teams, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Portsmouth, plans to live to 120.

He is so sure he can do it that he is taking out a life insurance policy for £10,000, payable on his 120th birthday.

Although tall, well-built Mr. Sharpe is 58, he looks 40. Why? Because he takes his own "medicine"—the animal gland extracts which he makes for the football teams.

Mr. Sharpe talked about his plans in his laboratory, part of a beautiful old manor house in Hertfordshire.

"You may think it fantastic," he said, "but I mean business when I want a quotation for a £10,000 policy payable on my 120th birthday."

"I AM PREPARED TO PAY THE PREMIUM NOW IN ONE SUBSTANTIAL LUMP SUM."

"Already I have approached two insurance companies, who told me politely that they would first have to work out new actuarial figures."

"As this is in the nature of a challenge, I am giving all leading British insurance companies an opportunity to quote me a premium."

Formerly a mining engineer, Mr. Sharpe first became interested in glands, or the science of endocrinology, as a hobby.

Ten years ago his hobby became his full-time job.

HOT FAVOURITES

In the summer of 1937 Wolverhampton adopted Mr. Sharpe's gland treatment to build up a team of super players.

To-day the Wolves are hot favourites to win the Cup, and also have a sporting chance of winning the League championship.

Apart from giving players increased speed, stamina, and staying power (as football has proved), gland extracts, according to Mr. Sharpe, give the answer to man's centuries-old quest for prolonged youth and a longer life-span.



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"My policy is altruistic rather than commercial," he said.

"As the demand for gland extracts increases, I shall be able to reduce the prices."

"Already the cost of twelve injections, as supplied to doctors, has been reduced from £20 to £9, and further reductions will soon be possible."

"I shall be content if the business pays without profit to myself."

In any case Mr. Sharpe feels he

King Zog, left, who called upon his people to defend their nation against the Italians, is shown in Tirana, his capital city, recently, as he reviewed some of his troops. With him is Queen Geraldine, who fled to Greece, a few days after the birth of her baby son, Prince Skanderbeg.

'Morals Are Terrible'

AN astonishing attack on the morals of home life in King's Lynn, Norfolk, has been made by the Vicar of St. John's, the Rev. E. W. Allworthy, at his annual church meeting.

He declared that children barely five years old will use foul language in the streets.

"This terrible crime," said Mr. Allworthy, "is thrown upon them from ungodly parents of all but pagan homes."

HOMES POLLUTED

"The results when they reach maturity hardly bear thinking about. Worse than that, many homes are broken up or polluted because men and women are living in sin and satisfying their carnal appetites like brute beasts that have no understanding."

"Some of us would be surprised if we knew the number of men and women in this town who are breaking up homes in this way."

Mr. Allworthy said no doubt some people would suggest that he was a prude and so try to whitewash their black sin.

Girl Of 12 Has A "Perm"

'She Ought To Be Spanked' Says Judge

"I NEVER heard of such nonsense," said Judge Richardson recently, when he was told that 12-year-old Ruth Harrison, of Millfield, Sunderland, had been to have her hair "permed."

"If a child of this age gets burned while having her hair waved," he went on, "I should be inclined to say that it serves her jolly well right."

"It might prove an advantage for her to be pulled up in her somewhat precocious vanity."

With these words, Judge Richardson, who was sitting at Sunderland County Court, found for a hair-dresser against whom the child had claimed £15 for burning her hair.

"FOOLISH WASTE"

"A child of 12 who wants to have her hair permanently waved should be taken over her mother's knee and spanked," he said.

"The girl must have very foolish parents to spend 3s. 6d. on having her hair permanently waved. It is a foolish waste of money."

"It is probable that the girl has now got a very good lesson in not being vain and foolish—a lesson, apparently, which she could not have got from her parents."

"A child of 12 prinking herself out!"

"SMELLED BURNING"

The girl alleged that she had been left in a cubicle with electrically heated irons in her hair while the assistant went for luncheon.

She smelled something burning and knocked on the wall of the adjoining cubicle to call another assistant who turned off the current. These allegations were denied.

EMPIRE NEWS

CZECH CONSULATE IN SYDNEY CLOSED

SYDNEY.
Dr. E. Kveton, Consul-General of Czechoslovakia in Sydney, handed over recently the consulate to the German Consul-General here, Dr. R. Asmle.

He was acting on instructions from Prague, and these apply to consulates throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Mr. W. M. Hughes, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, states, however, that the Commonwealth will not recognise the German Consul as representing Czechoslovakia unless Britain gives de jure recognition of the German annexation.

Dr. Kveton is returning to Prague by the United States.

KENYA

MR. GROVER TO WORK IN UGANDA

MOMBASA.
Mr. Brian Grover, the London engineer who was arrested in Russia last year after flying there to bring back his wife, they were on their way to Budapest, Uganda, where Mr. Grover is to work as a drilling engineer on the oil concession of the African and European Investment Co.

Mrs. Grover, who still speaks very little English, was delighted to meet a compatriot here, a woman who lives in Mombasa and who has had no opportunity to converse in her own language for many months.

After his release from prison in Moscow Mr. Grover intended to return to his post with a London engineering firm, but later accepted this appointment in Uganda.

INDIA

LEAVE PAY TO RANK FOR TAXATION

CALCUTTA.
Leave pay is to rank for taxation under India's new income-tax legislation. Both officials and ordinary members of the public proceeding overseas on leave will be affected.

Among the first officers of the Government of India to be affected will be Sir James Griener, the Finance member, who sails this month on leave pending his return to the English Civil Service in a post at the War Office.

Indians in South Africa.—Reports from South Africa suggest that the Union Parliament may postpone consideration of the bills giving local authorities power to segregate Indians. It is believed that this is a strong protest by the Government of India against the anti-Indian agitation in South Africa.

SOUTH AFRICA

FEWER NATIVE MINE WORKERS DIE

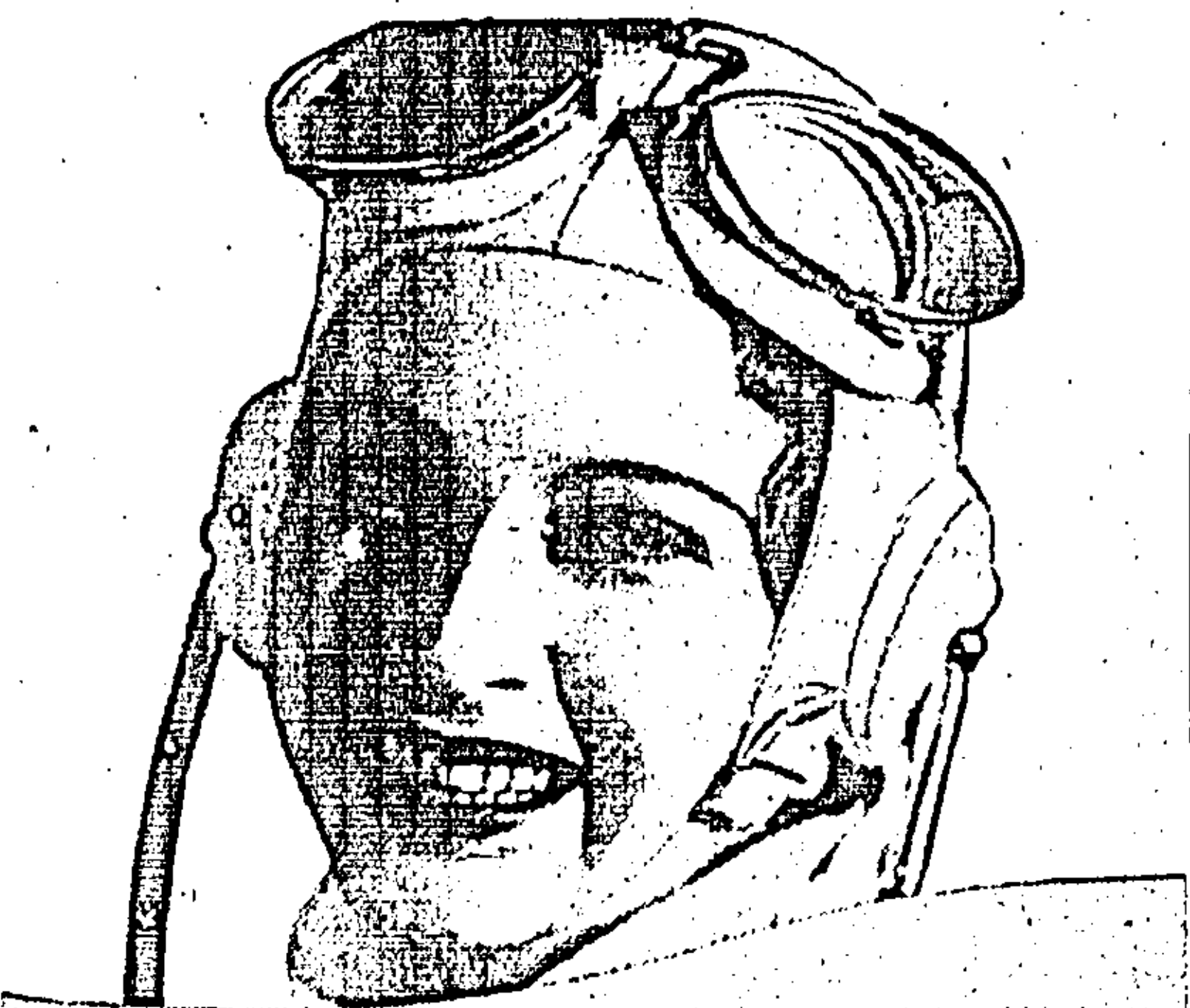
JOHANNESBURG.
The annual report of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Mines, discusses the striking success that has attended efforts to safeguard the health of natives on the Rand.

"There can no longer be any objection by the Government concerned to the employment of Nyanaland natives in the gold mines on the grounds of health," the report states.

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Lion and The Lambs

COLONEL BECK'S speech on Friday has dispelled the confusion about the precise understanding regarding Danzig. It means, in effect, that if Germany attempts to employ in the Free City the methods that gained her possession of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Memelland, Poland will resist with all the forces at her disposal. Be it remembered that the forces at Poland's disposal now includes Great Britain and France.

So far so good. At the same time the hope of everybody remains that the Germans and the Poles will settle their differences amicably.

It can be done. No hint of defiant aggression lay behind the Polish Foreign Minister's defence of Anglo-Polish policy, and his attitude throughout has been one of rectitude and repression.

It is inconceivable that anyone wants to go to war either on the issue of Danzig or the Polish Corridor, and there is no reason why discussions should not take place between Berlin and Warsaw which might result in settlement of the trouble without negotiation.

Poland, as Colonel Beck has revealed, is not intransigently opposed to any form of negotiation. On the contrary, the tradition of Polish foreign policy and the outlook disclosed by Colonel Beck suggest that they will always keep the door open for conciliation.

The key to the entire situation, as we see it, is Russia. The vital and, it may be, decisive part Russian co-operation must play in any effective attempt to solve Europe's problem is obvious.

There have been specific assurances that this fact is appreciated by the British Government, which "is doing everything in its power to foster it."

But the quotation was made nearly a month ago. Actions are more credible witnesses than words. Unfortunately, there is evidence that the contacts between Britain and Russia have not been as close or as frequent as they should be.

While Britain dilly-dallies with Russia, Hitler is consolidating his position in the north and in the south. The military alliance with Italy, announced this morning, is a powerful weapon that will finally decide on which side Yugo-Slavia's bread is buttered. She has wavered since the annexation of Albania; she must now join the axis camp in sheer self-preservation.

Meanwhile, Germany concludes unilateral non-aggression pacts with the Baltic and Scandinavian States. She promises them individually that if they won't attack



IS THIS THE PICTURE OF THE YEAR?

RUSSIA does not want WAR

THERE are long queues at every street corner in Moscow. It is not bread people are waiting for—it is news.

The latest edition of the evening paper will soon be out. Russians want to know what is happening in Germany and Poland.

Every one feels that war may be precipitated or substantially postponed according to the outcome of the present moves in these two countries.

Russia does not want war. It is prepared to make almost any concession in order to maintain peace. But war is believed inevitable and preparations are being made accordingly.

IN 1936 the Soviet Government spent more than three times its Budget estimate on national defence. It budgeted for an expenditure of 1,665,000,000 roubles.

It spent more than 5,000,000,000 roubles—that is about £100,000,000. At the same time a great campaign was begun to rouse the Russian people to the need of still greater expenditure.

They were warned that Japan was spending 46.5 per cent. of its Budget on armaments, while Russia spent only 10 per cent. Since then the military estimates have again been doubled.

These figures mean very little. They do not include the cost of civil aviation. They do not include the construction of tractors that can be transformed into tanks.

They do not include the doubling and trebling of wages offered to skilled engineers as an inducement to migrate with their families to the danger zones in the east and south.

They include only part of the cost of building entire new cities along the eastern frontiers with the strengthening of national defence as their main raison d'être.

The only way of estimating the military strength of Russia or any other country is to take stock of its entire resources. Russia is well aware of that.

It also knows that among a nation's resources the degree of

technical skill and initiative possessed by its people ranks very high.

THE German soldier against whom they may have to measure their strength is a deadly and scientific killer. Among Germans there is a surfeit of skilled chemists and technicians. In 1914-18 the Germans killed three of the Allied soldiers for every two of their own men who fell.

Russia's High Command is planning with all that in mind. The Red Army has been thoroughly modernised and mechanised. The most advanced models obtainable anywhere in the world have been purchased.

There is only one doubtful point. Having been given the technical equipment, does the Red Army soldier know how to make the best of it?

"Russia is prepared to make almost any concession for peace. But... preparations are being made... The tractor drivers are given special training with military service in view."

Soviet authorities frankly admit that here is the most vulnerable side of Russia's defences. Stalin, in an address to students in a military academy put the position baldly and forcibly: "... With skilled technicians in sufficient numbers, Russia is invincible. Without them we are lame on both feet."

It is on this question that Russia is now concentrating. The Government is straining every nerve to develop a population with a high degree of technical efficiency. The entire nation, soldier and civilian alike, is in training.

In Russia there is no sense of a sharp division between the two. The one merges into the other. The army is associated with a network of semi-military sports organisations covering every school, farm, and factory in the land.

MILITARY training is compulsory in all Russian colleges. The students—the women as well as men—usually compete for the Voroshilov marksmanship badge. I have one of those myself.

It is the outward and visible sign that I am a crack shot with a rifle. Considering that any time I play darts I am as liable as not to miss even the board, I feel a bit unworthy. But it was presented to me in deadly seriousness by a group of students in Gorlovka Mining College, Don Bas.

As I was preparing to leave, the students marched into the hall in military formation and carried out this little ceremony. To Russian youngsters these are no matters for jesting. They are learning to shoot, not for the fun of it, but because they believe that some day soon Russia may be drawn into war.

In the countryside this feverish preoccupation with military matters is as strong as in the cities. Every collective farm has its sports organisation, responsible for drilling the peasants.

On Russia's large farms tractors are universally in use. The newest tractors are convertible into tanks. The tractor drivers are given special training with military service in view.

Every tractor driver is regarded as a potential tank and tank driver.

Even the children have caught the infection. I watched a group of them listening to a radio speech. Afterwards there was much excited discussion. They had been set a problem in military strategy and invited to send in their answers. On a given date the correct solution was to be announced.

THE other day a Derbyshire girl decided to train as a parachutist. This was so unusual as to be reported in the English Press as "news." In Russia such sports, requiring a high degree of daring and initiative, have long ceased to be a novelty.

Any day in the summer you will see thousands of people in the city parks, parachute jumping from specially constructed towers. This is the preliminary part of their training.

Two of the chambermaids in my hotel in Moscow were qualified parachutists. A young waitress in a restaurant I sometimes ate in was impatiently waiting to take her final examinations.

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Duke Of Windsor To Broadcast

New York, May 7. The Duke of Windsor will broadcast to America tomorrow from the historic battlefield town of Verdun, where he is at present staying, according to a statement issued by the National Broadcasting Company of America.

The broadcast will begin at 10 p.m. B.S.T.—Reuter.

The Fleet Cheer King And Queen

Empress of Australia, May 6. Radiating from the Royal liner, the special correspondent said that when Their Majesties came on board they found every detail of the two royal suites complete for their comfort and convenience.

Two thousand men working on the ship had converted her in the short time available from a passenger liner to a royal yacht. Both suites were gay with flowers, but furnished with a view to practical comfort rather than luxury, the predominant colour being cream and dove grey.

There was a special plug for the King's electric razor and a wireless set with complete list of Empire shortwave broadcasts.

Their Majesties dined quietly tonight with members of the Royal suite and afterwards they listened to a concert of classical music and all aboard settled down to what promised to be one of the happiest of voyages, begun under perfect auspices.

Earlier in the day, Their Majesties had watched the Atlantic Fleet's farewell from the bridge of the ship. The Queen wore dark spectacles as a protection against the bright evening sun, while the King used his field glasses.

As the great liner passed, the cheers of the ratings manning the vessels could be clearly heard from the band of the battleship Rodney played the National Anthem.

As the liner left the Atlantic Fleet about 6.30 p.m., speed was increased to 17 knots, which will be maintained throughout the night.

The escorting vessels H.M.S. Glasgow and H.M.S. Southampton are on either side of the liner and H.M.S. Repulse follows astern.—Reuter.

AMERICAN WELCOME

London, May 5. When Their Majesties visit Washington they will be formally met by President and Mrs. Roosevelt, members of the Cabinet, diplomats and Congressmen.

There will be a ceremonial procession escorted by cavalry, armoured cars and 80 tanks to the White House, where Their Majesties will be guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt during their stay.—Reuter.

WARSHIP'S TOUR

London, May 6. The escorting warships, H.M.S. Southampton and H.M.S. Glasgow, will be at Quebec from May 15 to 19, at New York from May 24 to 31, at Halifax from June 9 to 15 and at Conception Bay on June 17, arriving back in the United Kingdom on June 22. H.M.S. Southampton will be at Boston from June 1 to 6, and H.M.S. Glasgow will be at St. John's, New Brunswick, from June 2 to 6.—British Wireless.

Leith-Ross Ends Talks In Bucharest

Bucharest, May 7. Before Sir Frederic Leith-Ross, economic adviser to the British Government, goes to Athens on Tuesday. It is expected that a memorandum will be initiated embodying the points of agreement reached between the British Economic Delegation and Rumania.

It is understood that a permanent mixed committee will be established to deal with the practical working of the new payments' agreement and to co-operate with national and private interests on both sides to increase Anglo-Rumanian trade.

British credit, it is understood, of £5,000,000 will be given mainly to purchase arms and for capital enterprises, like the construction of silos.

Repayment will be partly through increased takings of wheat and oil by Britain. In order to aid the wheat trade in Rumania, minimum price regulations will be abolished, while the oil laws will be amended with a view to encouraging foreign oil companies to invest capital.—Reuter Special.

WRESTLER ALSO ART EXPERT

PHILADELPHIA. Dr. J. Lloyd Bohn, wrestling coach at Temple University, won't be lost for occupation when the grappling season ends. Aside from his mat activities, Coach Bohn, a doctor of philosophy, has constant calls for his services in X-raying art works to uncover forgeries.

The Whole Of Europe Anxiously Awaits The New Move

BOTH MUSSOLINI AND THE POPE SEEK SETTLEMENT BASIS

The speech of the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, has had favourable repercussions in most of the capitals of Europe, even Italy agreeing with its moderate tone and hinting that while the Axis remains as firmly welded as ever, it should be possible for Germany and Poland to find a common and peaceful basis of settlement.

A new factor in the political landscape is the appearance of Papal intervention and the promise of a broadcast speech to the Eucharistic Congress at Algiers that will indicate Pope Pius XII's desire that war should be prevented. An emissary of His Holiness had important conversations at Berlin which aim also at establishing more workable relations with the Reich.

German opinion has not found official expression yet but newspaper reactions show a disinclination to fall in line with Polish reasoning and play instead upon alleged atrocities against Reich compatriots in Poland and the number of refugees who are fleeing from that country.

Brighton, May 6. Mr. Anthony Eden, addressing the Rotary International Conference, referred to Mr. Beck's speech as "a remarkable speech which might well serve as a model for statesmen, both for firmness and moderation."

"Among the services that the speech rendered, was to lay so much emphasis on the determination to defend certain basic principles in the conduct of international life. It is not a question of morality, only, but the most plain practical politics," said Mr. Eden.

"Our first need is to return to good faith between nations. Without it, international society, like human society, can only drift towards ever-widening confusion. That is the view I have held for a long time and it seemed to me to be a valuable contribution of Mr. Beck's speech, not merely because we, as a people, admittedly hold a position of some advantage in the balance of world goods or that we have had more than enough of gangster tactics."

"If we oppose the methods of snatch and run" it is because this practice among nations puts a halt to progress in every sphere. As British people, there is scarcely any material price we would not pay that might not become as antiquated as duelling to be hung up as being quite out of the question."

"Whatever success attended the gospel of Machiavelli up to date, its scope is now clearly limited; a warning has been uttered and precautions taken. Let there be no mistake, we now know that the world can only keep peace if the rulers learn, like a language, to practice the same philosophy and keep open faith."—United Press.

GERMAN OBJECTIONS

Berlin, May 6. It is understood that Hitler would like some indication of British and American reaction before issuing any himself.

Nazi political quarters take exception to four points in Col. Beck's speech.

Firstly, they stress the right of self-determination of Danzig.

Secondly, they reject "in the general European interest" Polish rights in Danzig because the city is at the mouth of the Vistula.

Thirdly, they maintain that the German-Polish Pact restricted freedom in joining "combinations inimical towards one of the partners."

Fourthly, they express surprise at Col. Beck's statement that the German proposals had not been transmitted to him in full.—Reuter.

MARCH AGAINST RUSSIA

Paris, May 6. It is suggested here that some references in Col. Beck's speech relate to earlier German suggestions that Poland and Germany should march together against Russia.

Poland rejected these suggestions, fearing that such a war would end only by leaving her with diminished territory and surrounded by a formidable Germany.—Reuter.

CABINET CONVENED

Paris, May 6. The French Cabinet convened today to hear the Foreign Minister's report on the study of Colonel Beck's speech. A declaration will be made in the French parliament on May 11 outlining the French position.—United Press.

ITALIANS TEMPORISE

Rome, May 6. Newspapers here agree that Beck's speech paves the way for negotiations and make no attempt to criticise his arguments. The Messaggero writes: "The line adopted by Beck is such that a solution may be expected capable of guaranteeing peace and, with peace, respect for the rights and aspirations of the two peoples."—Reuter.

TIME LIMIT SET

Berlin, May 6. Well informed circles affirm that the moderate tone of certain Italian newspapers in regard to Colonel Beck's speech does not in any way signify that there are Italy-German differences in regard to Poland.

To the contrary, it is affirmed that Italy has already told Poland that, in case of conflict, Italy will be on the side of Germany.

The same quarters emphasized this afternoon that there is a time limit for Poland to change her present attitude; namely, the end of Ribbentrop's and Goering's visits to

Italy and their return to Berlin.—United Press.

AMBASSADOR'S RETURN

Warsaw, May 6. "It is now for Germany to speak," writes the Dobrywiec newspaper. "The world agreed that Berlin should furnish the proofs if an understanding with Poland was really desired and she has now to choose between two roads, one of which is peace."

The conservative newspaper Czas thinks that the return to Warsaw yesterday of the German ambassador Herr von Moltke, may mean that further German suggestions are to be expected.

The Plenary Session of the Chamber is called for Tuesday to debate giving the President special powers to promulgate decrees for financing defence. The Senate holds its Plenary Session on Thursday.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT POWERS

Warsaw, May 6. The Polish Government will be given full powers in a bill to be passed on Tuesday.

To-day the lower house approved and both the Jewish and the Ukrainian delegates gave it their blessing.—Reuter.

STUDENTS COMPLAIN

Gdynia, May 6. The trouble at the Danzig Polytechnic which caused anti-German riots earlier this year, was renewed with the start of the new term. The Polish students complain that their grievances have not yet been remedied and they have decided to boycott their lecturers.—Reuter.

FRONTIER ALARMS

Paris, May 6. Latest information received here in regard to troop movements in Germany is that there has been an accumulation of planes and other war material near the Polish frontier.

It is stated that certain military precautions have been taken but the concentrations of troops is not of such numbers as to suggest an imminent attack on Poland.

Great significance is, however, attached to the fact that military hardware has been taken to Slovakia, which is close to the industrial centres of Poland.

Reports current to-day are that the partition of Slovakia between Hungary and Germany will be discussed between Herr von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano.—Reuter.

MOB TERRORISM CHARGE

Berlin, May 6. German refugees from Polish "persecution" are fleeing across the frontier into Germany in a steadily increasing flow, according to the Berlin press, which huris sharp accusations against the Polish Government.

A news agency says a camp has now been established at Marienwerder where the refugees will stay a few days until employment is found for them in East Prussia. The source adds that, during April, 201 men and women accompanied by children arrived from Poland in this district and a further 100 adults and 100 children have arrived since April 28 when the Fuehrer made his Reichstag speech. Refugees are also arriving in the Stuhm district near Danzig.

The Berlin newspapers alleged that armed Polish mobs have been carrying out assaults and acts of mob terrorism systematically prepared by Polish quarters.—Reuter.

The Diplomat'sche Korrespondenz indicates that the Polish question and the countermeasures to "circumference" have been a feature of the Ciano-Ribbentrop talks in Milan. The impression persists in foreign circles that Germany is inviting Mussolini to mediate in the Germano-Polish dispute.—Reuter.

DANZIG LEADERS' TALK

Berlin, May 6. No decisions of importance are expected regarding Danzig at present; but according to political circles, where there is talk of a plebiscite, it must be left to the population in Danzig to decide whether they want to return to the Reich or to remain a Free State.

Well informed quarters state that Hitler yesterday conferred with Herr Greiser, President of the Danzig Senate, and Herr Forster, Nazi Regional Leader, as a result of which Herr von Ribbentrop takes with him to Milan full knowledge of the Danzig leaders' and Hitler's instructions.—Reuter.

FLIMSY WAR PRETEXT

London, May 6. London does not attempt to belittle the dangers of the situation

SOVIET ALLIANCE: CRITICAL STAGE

London, May 6. It has been officially disclosed that the new British proposal, aimed at bringing Russia into the Anglo-French security front, has been delayed because of the "necessity for further consideration," but it will be sent shortly although it was previously understood that it had already been sent to Sir William Seeds at Moscow.

Mr. Chamberlain is personally changing and re-drafting the note, which originally left the door open for an eventual military pact without accepting the Russian proposal for a mutual aid pact.

Government quarters have indicated that the reply in its final form is likely to be an offer of a compromise. It is suggested that Britain will still propose that Russia should unilaterally extend a promise of support to victims of aggression in East Europe, which would become operative only after Britain and France have given armed help to such victims.

It is understood that the reply, as contemplated, will re-open the possibility of a tri-power military alliance, after an agreement has been reached on the aforementioned plan.—United Press.

FRENCH DISAPPOINTMENT

London, May 7. Diplomatic correspondents and editorialists in the Sunday papers, in giving prominence to the Anglo-Soviet negotiations, mostly believe that a critical stage has been reached. It seems to be generally agreed that the British Government wishes to confine the agreement to a pledge by the Soviet to aid her Baltic and Balkan neighbours if attacked, while the Soviet urges a military pact between the Soviet, Britain and France, to which the smaller Powers both in Eastern and Western Europe would be likely to adhere.

The Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent says that unless Russia is prepared to compromise there is danger that the talks may break down. The final conclusion of an Anglo-Turkish pact is dependent upon the course of Anglo-Russian negotiations.

The diplomatic correspondent of the Observer says that Russia has been urging that the small States are waiting to be convinced that the peace bloc is businesslike and trustworthy, and that nothing short of a full military alliance of the three Powers will convince them, and that if the Powers hesitate they may find themselves presented with another fait accompli.

The main difficulty, the correspondent continues, is that a formal military alliance might appear to justify the German cry of encirclement and thus precipitate the crisis which the alliance is destined to prevent, while Russia argues that stopping short of a full alliance may precipitate danger. Thus it cannot be disguised that a clear issue in tactics is involved.

The Observer in an editorial says that having begun the process of constituting a peace bloc, the British Government must now answer the question, "Can a half measure be effective?"—Reuter.

PRESS OPINIONS

Paris, May 6. Officialdom here is clearly disappointed at Britain's rejection of the Russian proposal for a military alliance against Hitler which would have revived the triple alliance against totalitarian expansionism.

Meanwhile France has reiterated her bilateral Franco-Russian mutual aid pact of 1935.

It is understood that Moscow has informed France that Russian policy envisages the use of terrorism of Russian German rapprochement.

To-day's Cabinet meeting surveyed the foreign outlook, particularly the German-Polish crisis, Mr. Litvinov's resignation, and the reported presence of German military technicians in Northern Italy.

In the French viewpoint, Britain's rejection of a military alliance with Russia does not imply the failure of the Anglo-French efforts to reach a working agreement for the guarantee of the territorial integrity of the States bordering Germany.—United Press.

around Danzig territory, says the Daily Telegraph, but British circles note that the wisdom of precipitating a European war on this flimsy pretext is now the subject of discussion between Germany and Italy.

A violent solution is unlikely to be sought immediately.—Reuter.

APPEAL TO HITLER

Rome, May 6. It is reported that Canon Orsenigo, Canon of Milan, has visited Hitler in

Manila Shaken By Tremors

Manila, May 7. Saturday night festivities were dampened at 1.01 a.m. when Manila was rocked by intermittent earth tremors for 20 seconds.

The shocks are said to be the severest since August 1937. Sleepers were aroused and many ran out into the streets. There were no casualties here.—Reuter.

Severe Raid On Swatow

Swatow, May 6. Eight Japanese planes continued bombing and machine-gunning Swatow this morning 400 yards east of the United States Consulate. The objective was apparently Chinese military headquarters.

Many bombs fell close to foreign property at the Soony installation. Casualties as yet are unknown.—Reuter.

Central News adds that in Swatow 100 casualties were caused by the raid and tens of houses wrecked.

JAPANESE VERSION

Shanghai, May 7. Japanese naval aircraft on Friday raided Swatow bombing military depots.

On Thursday, naval air units carried out three bombing attacks in Fukien and Kwangtung. Raiding Chaochow, the northern terminus of the railway from Swatow, the Japanese aircraft bombed military freight cars near the station.

Chuanchow to the north of Amoy was also attacked on Thursday. The Magistrate's office and various military establishments were bombed.—Central News.

HOUSES DEMOLISHED

Chuanchow, Fukien, May 6. Chuanchow was twice bombed by a lone Japanese plane at 7 o'clock and 12 o'clock yesterday. About forty houses were destroyed.

Several Japanese naval vessels off Hwaijan on the southern Fukien coast steamed away yesterday.—Domei.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE

Swatow, May 7. During the terrific bombing on this port by 11 Japanese planes on May 4, 17 bombs were dumped, demolishing two shipyards, two food factories, and one match factory. Fifty casualties resulted, seven of whom took refuge in a haystack, which was machine-gunned.

Sixteen empty cars of a train on the Chaochow-Swatow Railway were also smashed by 11 bombs.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

KOMING MASS ATTACK

Shanghai, Kwangtung, May 7. A mass attack was made on Koming by 22 Japanese planes yesterday morning, dumping over 100 explosives. Heavy damage and casualties were caused.

Twenty-three other Japanese machines meanwhile reconnoitred Shihlung, Kulo, Holakong and Mahow, and machine-gunned the civilians.—Central News.

THREE HUPEH ATTACKS

Siangyang, Hupeh, May 7. Fancheng, on the north bank of the Han River, opposite Siangyang, was twice raided yesterday by Japanese planes.

Five machines visited the town at noon, dumping 20 bombs. Five planes came in the afternoon, said within over 30 bombs were released. Laohokow, 115 miles, north-west Chungshang, was attacked by five planes at noon.

A Japanese heavy bomber, flying low, was shot down by Chinese guerrillas with rifles at Wangchiatien, north Hupeh, on Friday.—Central News.

NANCHENG RAIDED

Siang, May 7. Twelve Japanese warplanes staged another raid on Nancheng, (Hanchung) on the upper reaches of the Han River, 100 miles south-west of Siang, yesterday afternoon. They inflicted some 150 casualties and wrecked 100 houses, dropping 101 bombs.—Central News.

Boy Collects Snakes

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. The hobby of Paul H. Stevens, 15-year-old high school student, is collecting live snakes—and is housing them in a bureau drawer in his bedroom. His ambition is to own a boa constrictor.

connection with the European crisis, but it cannot be confirmed whether he carried a definite proposal or merely an appeal for moderation on both sides in the Polish-German differences.—United Press.

MONTH OF PRAYER

Vatican City, May 7. In a broadcast to the French National Eucharistic Conference at Algiers, the Pope made a brief reference to the peace so ardently desired by anxious humanity.

His Holiness urged that the month of May should be entirely devoted to universal prayer in honour that there should descend from heaven to earth by the hands of the immaculate Virgin that peace promised to all men if goodwill, peace in souls troubled by the calls and seductions of false doctrines, and peace between nations shuddering in unceasing anxiety.—Reuter.



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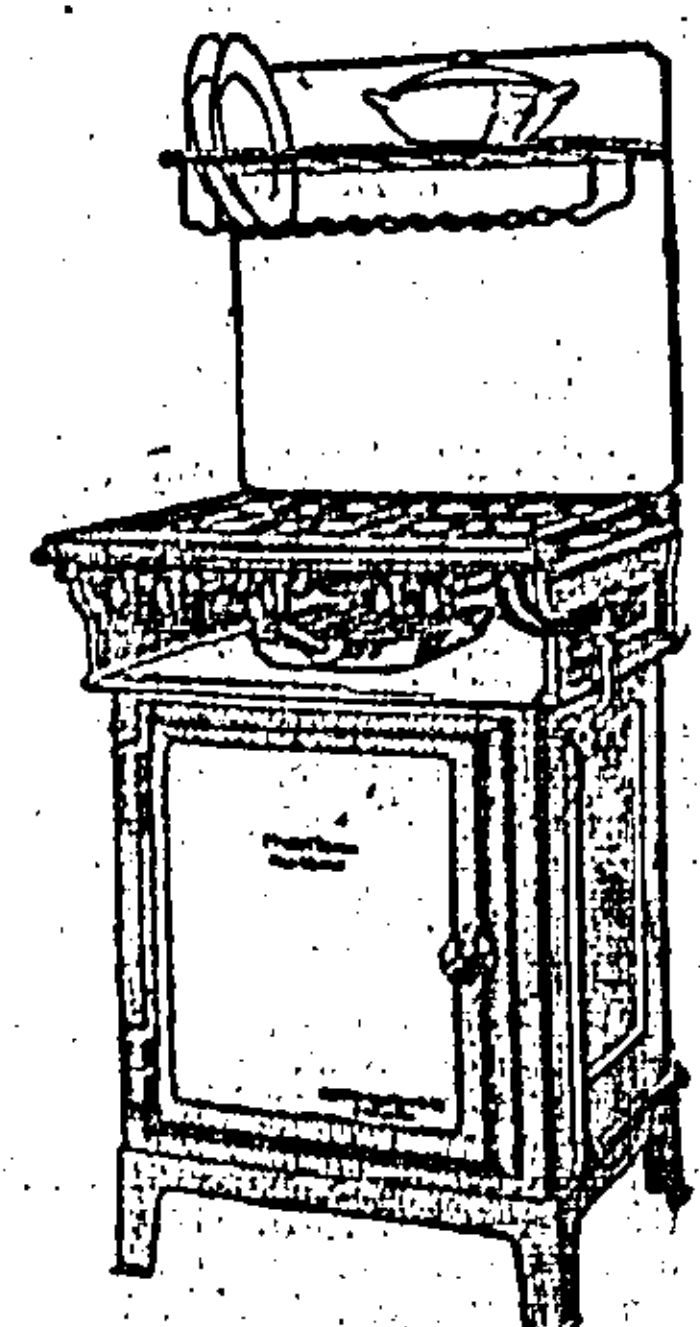
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SERVICES DEFEATED BY CIVILIANS

CLOSING MATCH OF THE PRESENT HOCKEY SEASON

Winners Thoroughly Deserve Victory

(By "The Pilgrim")

In the last game of the local hockey season, the Civilians defeated the Services by two goals to nil in a fast and close struggle on the Club ground yesterday. The winners scored once in each half.

The initial attacking was done by the Civilians and after ten minutes' pressure, off a long corner hit, G. H. Fowler received the ball and cracked a perfect centre to G. Singh who, in the twinkling of an eye, had flicked the ball past Osman. This was a nice move and thoroughly deserved a goal.

The Civilians were back again with some strong attacking but Osman dashed out on several occasions to make good clearances from Wall and G. Singh. Except for two or three raids made by the Services' attack, the Civilians halves and forwards got right into full stride and penned their opponents in their own half for the remaining 25 minutes.

During this half, the Civilians inter-mediate played a fine constructive game. E. Fowler, W. A. Reed and R. J. Reed, at left half, were really sound; he held a watching brief on Gernard, the Services' inside right. W. A. Reed, the pivot, was intelligent and seldom did he send the ball away to his forwards without a mission.

SECOND HALF

In the last half, the first point of note was Pritam Nath going through, but he was tackled by R. Xavier in time. Again the Services returned to the attack when a shot from Gernard was cleared into touch by Souza. Two rapid short corners were forced by the Services in quick succession, but U. B. Souza, in turn, cleared magnificently from the expert Datta Ram. Then after 20 minutes' play came the Civilians' second goal.

S. A. Fowler sped away down the right wing and sent in a perfect centre. Wall took possession and tested Osman, but S. A. Fowler, dashing up rapidly, took the ball and hit it past the goalie after a partial clearance had been made.

Near the end, the Services attacked strongly but the Civilians forwards returned the compliment, and only

Combined Schoolboys Defeat D.G.S.

Prior to the Civilians-Services game on the same ground, the Combined Schoolboys defeated the D.G.S. by five goals to nil. Playing only ten, the boys were too fast for the girls and scored through G. Singh, K. Singh (2), P. Rull and R. Castro.

erratic shooting by both sides spoiled good efforts.

The Civilians inside trio of G. Singh, G. H. Fowler and Parny Singh, worked well together and never hesitated to shoot at once when on the edge of the circle. Their wingers, S. A. Fowler and J. Wall, rendered splendid support. Bond and R. Xavier, the backs, were sound. The latter, who relieved Guest, was in good form and backed up his partner strongly.

SERVICES' ATTACK FAILS

I attribute the Services' defeat to the failure of their attack, where good combination was lacking. The forwards, Gernard, Pritam Nath and Neralin seemed strangely out of gear. Dinet was the best wing half and though Hook worked hard he was not his usual self at centre-half. There was little to choose between Carr and Datta Ram but Osman in goal gave his usual brilliant display.

Despite the intense heat, a fast pace was maintained. The Civilians proved themselves a better combination than the Services and deserved their victory.

Football

Eastern Team Defeat Macao By Odd Goal

Considering the lateness of the season and the heat, good football was produced by the Eastern F.C. and Macao when the two teams met on the Club ground yesterday. The Hongkong team, due to a livelier forward line, emerged victorious by the odd goal in three after leading by 2-0 at one stage of the game.

The defences on both sides played well, but whereas the Eastern halves found time to help their forwards, the Macao defenders had all their work cut out to stop the Eastern attack, and herein lay the reason for Eastern's victory.

Hsu King-shing, at centre-half for the local side, was a tower of strength in the middle of the field and piled his forwards with many useful passes. Leo Tack-kee and Ng Ki-ching were causing the Macao defence a great deal of worry by their hugging tactics, but for the most part, the visiting defenders proved worthy of the occasion.

Alex Atrosa, the Macao pivot, performed a great deal of useful work, while Lam Sau-cho and Lo-beto, the backs, were very reliable. In the forward line, the two players who caught the eye were Collaco and Gurriero.

Ng Ki-ching gave Eastern the lead in the first half, shortly after the resumption, Chau Man-chi increased this lead from a corner kick.

Gurriero reduced the deficit midway through the half, but though Macao got very close on several occasions they were unable to score the equalising goal.

Belgian Army Wins Kentish Cup

Brussels, May 7. The Belgian Army beat the British Army by six goals to nil to-day to win the Kentish Cup for the triangular soccer tournament.

The Belgians beat the French Army on goal average.—Reuter.

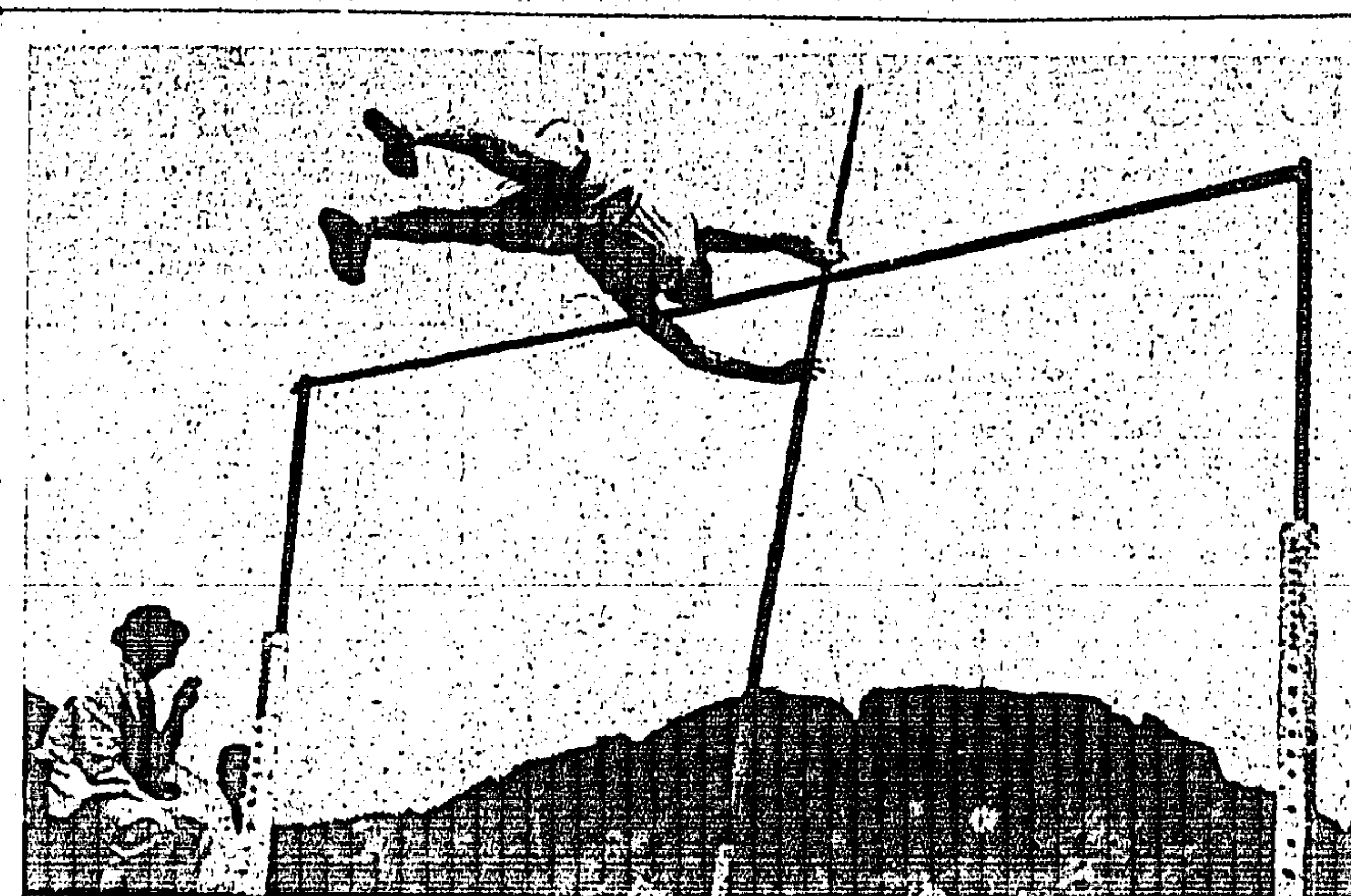
Gland Treatment For Footballers Disliked

London, Apr. 28. The Conference of the Football League Clubs and the Management Committee are unanimous in their general opinion against the adoption of the practice of gland treatment. The Management Committee has requested the Conference to seek the highest medical advice on the subject.—Reuter.

German Wins Tripoli Grand Prix

Tripoli, May 7. The famous German racer, Hermann Lang, driving a Mercedes-Benz, won the Tripoli Grand Prix to-day with an average speed of 197.700 kilometres per hour.

Caracciola, also driving a Mercedes-Benz, was second, and Villorosi, driving an Alfa-Romeo, was third. The course was one of 30 laps of 6.14 miles each.—Reuter.



A splendid action picture of the pole-vault event at the Hongkong Area athletic meeting held on the Polo Ground in Boundary Street last week. This competitor has cleared his mark with ease.—Staff Photographer.

LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE STARTS WITH U.B. BEATING RECREIO

Mr. Addison E. Southard Throws The First Ball

(By "Bingle")

Consul General of the United States of America, Mr. Addison E. Southard, tossed the first ball on Saturday afternoon to start the baseball season rolling, when Union Brewery thumped Club de Recreio, 8-4. The grandstand was packed to capacity, and many of the ardent local fans were in attendance, including Major V. E. Duclos, President of the Hongkong Baseball League; Sir Shouson Chow; and Johnny Mayhew, whose presence helped tremendously to enliven the proceedings.

Although they outthrew the Brewers by three safeties, the Rambling Rees couldn't make them count. The score was knotted for two innings before Chet Benne's U. B. squad took a 5 to 3 lead, and kept it there after.

Warwickshire Signs On A New Bowler

Warwickshire have signed as a professional 28-year-old Fred Taylor, a right-hand medium-pace bowler who for the past two seasons assisted Staffordshire in the minor Counties' Championship. He is the son of a former Warwickshire fast bowler.

Hampshire County C.C. have appointed Mr. G. R. Taylor to captain their team in the coming season.

Mr. C. J. B. Wood, formerly captain of Leicestershire County C.C., has been appointed assistant secretary to the club.

Japan Will Compete In Olympics

The opinion that Japan will compete in the 1940 Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland, was expressed by Mr. Avery Brundage, president of the American Olympic Committee and a member of the International Committee, when he passed through Hongkong by the Suwa Maru on Saturday.

Stress of the present trouble in China caused Japan to forego her right to be the venue of the 1940 Games, but Mr. Brundage said, talks in Japan convinced him that Japanese sportsmen were eager to take part. He expected that, even if the present Far Eastern conditions still obtained, they would manage it.

Mr. Brundage, who is accompanied by his wife, is on his way to London to attend the yearly meeting of the International Committee, which, he said, will be mainly concerned with preparations for the 1940 Games. Never having seen the Orient, he and his wife chose to go to London by the longest route.

Ground rules came in for a lot of panning in this issue. I don't think any of the teams has come straight yet. A hit to the rightfield bank without touching the ground, before it reaches said bank, means a three-bagger. A liner rolling onto the bank only calls for a double. At left field, when a batted ball rolls through the fence, or is stopped at the fence, means a triple, while a ball over the fence is a homer.

Madeen Arculli was the hero of the game. Not satisfied with a perfect batting average of three safeties in three times up, he brought in three of his mates on a double and two bingles, and fanned five without issuing an Annie Oakley. Even Hal Winglee made a hit that day!

The only hook that moundsman Spotty Pereira had was used throughout the game, and he fanned five in the grand manner, making monkeys out of Terry Leonard 2, Russell, Shum Leonard and Hal Winglee. If Pereira had had better support behind the plate, there might have been a different ending to the game. Catcher Al Alvarez, brother of Johnny Alvarez, hasn't been seen in action for quite a few years, and seemed a bit rusty.

Recreio certainly misused A. V. Gosano, Nick Beltrino and Eddie Gosano. For some unknown reason, Eddie, although out at the game, did not don a Recreio uniform. They needed him out there!

Although a double-header was slated for yesterday's card, only one tilt was played. Making their debut, his count, Mindanao romped home an easy winner over the Chinese 9 to 4, behind an early lead.

The Chinese couldn't get started, and six bingles were chalked up to them for Earl Wong to lose a heart-breaker. Earl whiffed nine Mindanao batters: "Paintpot" Thomas 2, "No-gravy" Dew 2, "Foghorn" Chase, "Horseface" Douglas 2, and "Hill-Jumper" Wilson 2, for a splendid mound performance.

"Crooner" Ruel didn't show so much fancy stuff yesterday, but he played heady ball, taking nine chances with nary a fumble, and fanned two.

Third sacker Charlie Horton, who almost had to stay away from playing ball this season, wielded the heaviest stick work for his gang of sailors, with two doubles and a single in three times up, and bringing in two.

However, hurler Earl Wong in his second year under fire on the mound, contributed a triple, a double and a bingle in three times at bat for a perfect 1,000 percentage.

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Comfortable Victory

THE Craigengower C.C., strengthened by the return of Charlie Rosset to the team, visited Kowloon Dock R.C. and won by 34 shots—which represented the greatest win of the day. The Happy Valley rinks, led by the three old stalwarts, U. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and R. Bass, were far too well-balanced to be in danger of defeat. The visitors seemed to like the fast Kowloon Dock green and settled down to it very quickly. The Craigengower C.C. men got home in a canter, so to speak.

Normal Scoring

SCORES during the afternoon were kept within reasonable proportions. There was nothing sensational, no sevens or eights being recorded. There were three sixes, however, (1) by F. X. M. da Silva's rink against J. Orem's four on the fifth head; (2) by T. W. Carr's rink against R. H. Wild's quartette on the last head; and (3) by W. H. B. Muskett's four against C. Champelovier's rink on the second head. Numerous fives and fours were registered.

Tennis

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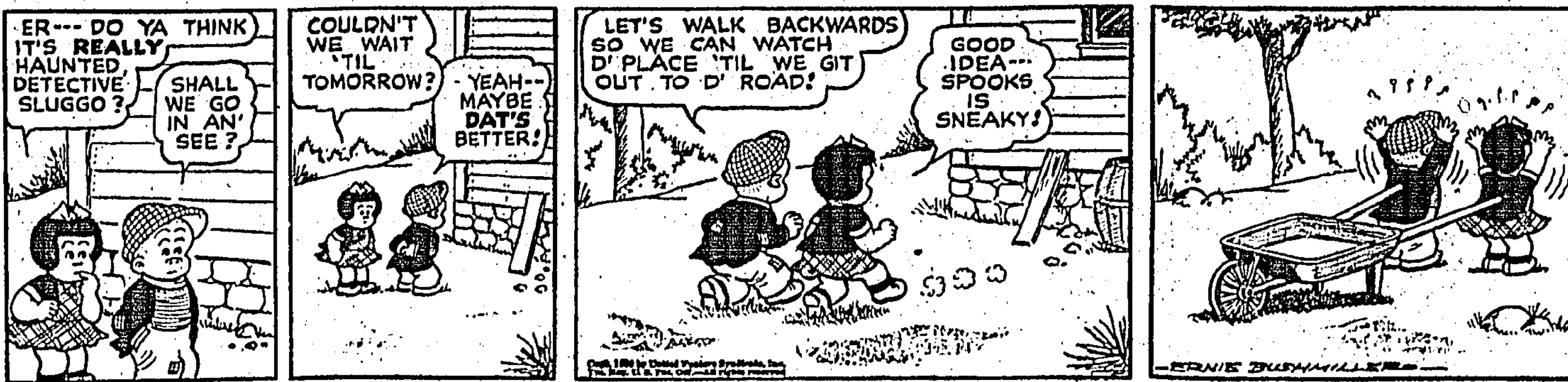
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The local baseball season commenced on Saturday when the Union Brewery outfit defeated the Club de Recreio in the opening game by 8-4. Picture shows an attempt to catch Mandana napping at third.—Staff Photographer.

NANCY



European Zone Davis Cup Matches Begin

Germans Lead Swiss By Two Matches: Hungary Eliminate Rumania 3-2

Several matches in the European Zones of the 1939 Davis Cup competition commenced over the week-end. Leading by two matches to one at the end of Saturday's play, Hungary eliminated Rumania by three matches to two at Bucharest; Germany is now leading Switzerland by two matches to nil at Vienna; Poland and Yugo-Slavia are leading Holland and Ireland respectively by the same margin.

GERMANS LEAD

Vienna, May 8. In the first round of the Davis Cup tennis competition, Roderick Menzel, of Germany, beat Boris Maneff, of Switzerland, to-day by 6-8, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2, 6-3. Henner Henkel, Germany, beat Hector Fischer, Switzerland, 6-2, 2-6, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.—United Press.

Hungary Leading

Bucharest, May 8. Hungary leads Rumania by two matches to one in their first round match of the Davis Cup. Gabor (Hungary) took the first singles from Schmidt (Rumania) when the latter retired in the fifth set with an injured foot. The scores were then 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 2-6, and Gabor was leading by 2-0 in the last set.

Asboth (Hungary) beat Carululis (Rumania) by 6-1, 3-6, 6-7, 8-10, 6-4. Schmidt and Carululis (Rumania) beat Dallos and Chikos (Hungary) in the doubles, 6-8, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.—United Press.

HUNGARY THROUGH

Bucharest, May 7. Hungary eliminated Rumania by three matches to two in the Davis Cup to-day.—Reuter.

Poland Two Ahead

Warsaw, May 6. Poland are leading by two matches to nil against Holland. Count Baworowski beat Van Swol 6-7, 6-3, 6-0, and Tloczynski beat Hughtan 6-0, 6-2, 6-1.—Trans-Ocean.

Ireland Loses Singles

Agram, May 6. Yugo-Slavia leads by two matches to nil against Ireland. Milich (Yugo-Slavia) beat Rogers (Ireland) 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, and Puncnee beat Egan 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH HARDCOURTS

Kho Sin-kie Defeats W. C. Choy In Men's Singles Final

Bournemouth, May 6. The Men's Singles Final of the British Hardcourts championships to-day was an all-Chinese match. Kho Sin-kie beat W. C. Choy by 7-5, 6-1, 6-4.

Choy led in the first set at 3-11 through errors on Kho Sin-kie's part, but Kho thereafter was magnificent, winning repeatedly on superior cross-court drives. Choy took the first game of the second set, but only after fourteen deuces had been called. Kho was most accurate with fast driving and completely outplayed his compatriot.

Kho began the third set carelessly and lost several points, allowing Choy to lead at 2-1 and 3-2, but, with a series of drives to the corners of the baselines, Kho drew level at 4-4. Thereafter he featured a display of dazzling shots and emerged an easy winner.

Women's Singles Final

Miss Kathleen Stammers overcame Mrs. Ellis (formerly Senorita Anita Lizzani) in the final of the Women's singles by 6-3, 6-3.

Women's Doubles Final

Miss Jean Nicholl and Miss Betty Nuthall beat Miss Nina Brown and Miss Rita Jarvis by 5-7, 6-2, 6-2 in the final of the women's Doubles.

Men's Doubles Final

H. Billington and J. Olliff beat the New Zealanders, D. Coombe and C. Malloy, in the men's Doubles final by 8-6, 5-7, 6-4, 7-5.

Mixed Doubles Final

C. Malloy and Miss Nuthall won the Mixed Doubles final, beating D. Butler and Miss Jean Nicholl 7-5, 6-2.—Reuter.

Rugby League Cup

Halifax Beat Salford In Great Final

Wembley, London, May 6. Fifty thousand spectators to-day crammed the Wembley Stadium to witness the Rugby League Cup final between Halifax and Salford. The latter, the favourites, were beaten by 20 points to three.

Halifax were aggressive from the start, and their speed threw the favourites out of their stride. Deadly tackling broke up many movements. A surprising fluctuation in the first half was the fact that out of the first eighteen scrums Salford had succeeded in gaining from fourteen of them, but at the interval, out of 41 scrums, they had only gained from 19.

Despite the loss of their fullback in the second half, Salford featured some beautiful open passing movements, and attacked desperately, but were unable to penetrate a strong and superb defence.

The scorers in the first half were Smith and Trean, the tries being converted by Lockwood. Salford registered their only points in the second half when Ruman scored an unconverted try. Todd and Bevan added further tries for Halifax, both being converted by Lockwood.—Reuter.

JOHNSTOWN WINS KENTUCKY DERBY VERY EASILY

Louisville, May 6. At Churchill Downs to-day, Johnstown, a 3-5 favourite, won the Kentucky Derby easily by eight lengths, with Challenge (6-1) second and Heather Broom (10-1) third. The time was 2:03.2. Eight run.

The winner was never seriously challenged. From the back-stretch to the home-stretch, the race belonged to Johnstown, who took command with an immense bound and the starting gate and refused to relinquish his lead to any of his seven challengers.

The finishing order behind the first three was Viascent, Technician, El Chico, T. M. Dorsett and On Location, all of whom were hopelessly far behind.

The pari-mutuel dividend was \$3.20, the shortest prize winner since 1905.

With the first prize of \$46,350, Johnstown's earnings for the past two years now amount to \$103,205.

Jimmy Stout rode the winner and never at any stage of the race applied the whip.—United Press.

In the Wood Memorial Stakes at New York on April 30, Johnstown ran away from a fast field and won by five lengths from Volant and Impound. The winner was then favourite for the Derby.

JUBILEE STAKES
London, May 6. The Jubilee Stakes was run to-day resulting in a win for Antonym, at 10-1. Pappagone II (7-1) was second and Domaha (100-8) third. Thirteen ran. The time was 3 mins. 1 1/2 secs.

The following were the starters and jockeys for the Jubilee Stakes: Antonym (Tucker), Black Speck (Carlslake), Challenge (E. Smith), Blisoff (Harry Wragg), Portmarnock (Jones), Golden Sovereign (Henry), Glenlochy (Pat Beasley), Bombay Duck (Laurry), Pappagone II (Perryman), Couvert (Smith), Healin II (Weston), Domaha (Gordon Richards), and Nosegay (Maher).—Reuter.

CLUB EXTENSION CEREMONY AT KOWLOON B.G.C.

The recently completed extensions to the Kowloon Bowling Green Club-house were formally declared open by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at a ceremony at the Club yesterday. There was a large gathering of members and ladies. Sir Atholl was accompanied by Lady MacGregor.

Prior to the opening, a game of bowls was played between rinks captained by Sir Atholl and the President, Mr. T. E. Robson. The match resulted in a narrow defeat for Sir Atholl by 67 shots to 65.

Welcoming Sir Atholl, Mr. Robson said: This morning we reach another milestone in the history of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. It is fit that we pause for a moment and reflect on the progress the Club has made since it was founded in 1900. I am glad to say we have amongst us still a sturdy band of members who remember this Club-house in its unadorned state. It speaks well for the traditions and progressive spirit of the Club when I say these pioneers are just as enthusiastic about the new Club as the younger members, who have carried on the new work.

We will shortly have the privilege of seeing the new Club-house extensions formally declared open. On behalf of those members of the Club here, at Home, on the seven seas and abroad, I welcome and extend our sincere thanks to Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor who are here to-day for that special purpose.

Greatly Respected Member
As you know, Sir Atholl is a greatly respected member of this Club. He is a very keen, and, as you have seen, a very good bowler. I regret his side lost by two shots. This wouldn't have happened if it hadn't been for me. However, he is no man I can think of who is better equipped than he is to declare this Club open and to do justice to those who brought about this happy achievement. (Applause.)

Sir Atholl said he was very pleased to have had the opportunity of being at the Club, and beginning the day with a really enjoyable game of bowls, and then continuing with that very happy ceremony. The extensions to be opened consisted mainly of an enlarged and fully equipped bar, and he thought it was right that these present should have a personal opinion on it. (Laughter.)

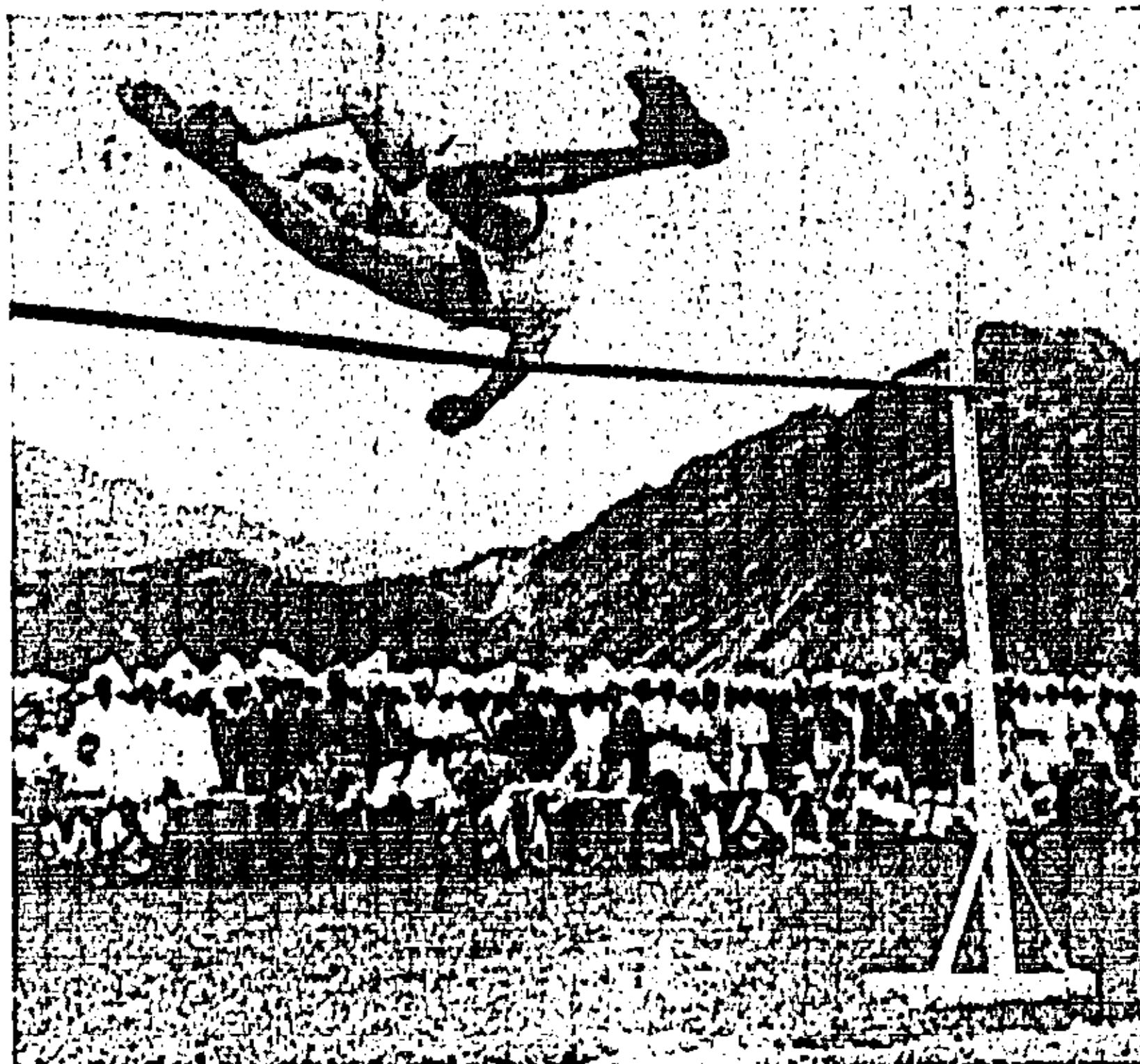
In 1937, continued Sir Atholl, it was realised that with the large increase of new members the existing accommodation was not adequate, and a Building Extension sub-committee was appointed to investigate the subject of enlargement. Mr. E. W. Blackmore, the architect, submitted two alternative schemes, a meeting in October last year, but the original scheme was approved and adopted. Work began in January this year and was completed by the end of April, a most outstanding achievement.

Work Admirably Done
The work has been admirably done and consisted not only of the enlargement of the bar, but such other amenities as increased shower-baths, for which "I hope the P.W.D. will in due course let us have some water" (laughter); the transformation of the reading room into a library and lounge; and the provision of a kitchen which would enable members to be served with solid as well as liquid food. The electrical work had been carried out by Messrs. Jardine Engineering Corporation, Ltd., and the gas fires by the Hongkong and China Gas Company, Ltd.

Sir Atholl expressed thanks to Messrs. T. Armstrong, E. V. Searle and A. L. Woolley, who comprised the original sub-committee. Mr. E. W. Blackmore, the architect, and Messrs. V. A. Garton, J. McKelvie and J. G. Meyer, who served on the sub-committee for consideration of the alternative schemes.

Every member of the Club who had the true interests of the Club at heart, he said, should be happy to have such a fine place for their social meetings. His club were social meetings were of a more happy nature than at the K.B.G.C. Sir Atholl concluded by expressing the hope that the many ladies present would be permitted to enter the bar for that auspicious occasion.

(Laughter and applause.)
Mr. E. V. Searle, a Past President of the Kowloon Bowling Green, thanked Sir Atholl for his kind remarks and said that the building of the new extension did involve a lot of work, first in overcoming the anxiety of those members who thought the old Club-house was good enough, and secondly, with the financial side of the venture. He wished especially to thank Messrs. Garton and Arm-



Good style is revealed by this competitor in the high jump in the Hongkong Area athletic meeting held last week. He has cleared the bar with ease.—Staff Photographer.

Enjoyable Sports Day At Indian R.C.

Brilliant sunshine attracted a large gathering of members and their friends to the Indian Recreation Club, Sookumpoo, yesterday, when the annual sports meeting was held. The Pipe Band of the Hongkong and Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, by kind permission of Lt.-Col. Taveau and Officers, rendered selections during the afternoon.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. C. Rahim. Prior to the prize distribution, Mr. A. el Arculli, President of the Club, thanked the Officer Commanding the H.K.S.R.A. for allowing the Band to play for them. Mr. Sirdar Rumljahn, the Hon. Treasurer, who had acted as Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Rahim, the Hon. Sports Secretary for his efficient organisation; and Mr. A. R. Minu, for his help. There was little to say, he added, regarding the Club's sports activities during the past year. The Club's teams had not been too successful, but he was glad in a way, because "a licking would do us good and prevent us from that awful disease, swell-headedness."

On behalf of Mrs. Rahim, Dr. H. el Arculli, thanked the Club for the honour they had accorded her in asking her to present the prizes. The following were the results of the day's events:

- 70 yards Mathematical Race (Boys 12 yrs. and under).—1, S. K. Khan; 2, Munsur Ismail; 3, E. M. Bux.
- 70 yards Mathematical Race (Girls 14 yrs. and under).—1, A. el Arculli; 2, M. A. Currem; 3, J. A. Currem.
- 80 yards Handicap (Girls under 10 yrs.).—1, Hajara Azan; 2, L. Kaidi; 3, Hanifa Azan.
- 220 Handicap (St. John's Ambulance Indian Division).—1, O. Rahim; 2, S. H. Khan; 3, H. Khan.
- Cricket, Novelties Event.—1, N. Singh; 2, A. K. Minu.
- Egg and Spoon Race (Members 35 yrs. and over).—1, A. R. M. Samy; 2, O. Rumljahn.
- 100 yards Championship.—1, T. Hamet; 2, N. Singh.
- 100 yards Handicap (Boys under 12 yrs.).—1, A. G. Ismail; 2, Abdul Rauf Azan; 3, A. R. Sallah.
- 100 yards Handicap (St. John's Ambulance Indian Division, cadets only).—1, G. Singh; 2, J. B. Hassan; 3, Ramlath.
- 50 yards Mathematical Race (Members of Ladies Section).—Mrs. O. Rumljahn; 2, Miss J. Hassan; 3, Miss Z. el Arculli.
- Egg and Spoon Race, double-handed, 50 yards, (Members 35 yrs. and over).—1, A. K. Minu; 2, S. M. Sadiq.
- 200 yards Handicap.—1, O. Rumljahn; 2, N. Singh.
- Ladies Nomination Race.—1, Miss Fung and A. K. Minu; 2, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rumljahn.
- 120 yards Handicap.—1, A. R. Markar; 2, A. el Arculli.
- Egg and Spoon Race, double-handed, 50 yards, (Ladies Only).—1, Miss R. el Arculli; 2, Mrs. E. O. Rumljahn; 3, Miss J. Hamet.
- 200 yards Handicap (Open to Indian Students of all Schools).—1, Attar Singh; 2, Pal Singh; 3, S. K. Khan.
- Tennis Novelties Event.—1, A. H. Madar; 2, I. Kitchell, Ladies.—1, Mrs. R. J. Master; 2, Mrs. O. Rumljahn.
- 100 yards Consolation Race.—E. R. Markar.
- Handsum's Race.—1, Mohammed Singh; 2, Noor Elahi.

Season's Sports

The prizes for the winners of the past season's sports activities were also distributed. Results:

Cricket, 1st XI batting: 1, A. H. Madar; 2, M. el Arculli. Bowling: 1, A. H. Madar; 2, A. R. Minu.

2nd XI batting: 1, A. R. Sallah; 2, A. Bakur. Bowling: 1, M. R. Abbot; 2, Y. T. Barmu.

Winners of Sunday cricket league: Malays. They were presented with Shields donated by Messrs. Burke and Company. Members of the team who received pennants were: Messrs. A. R. Kitchell, K. Nazarin, I. Ali, I. Yusuf, Q. Talip, E. Yusuf, A. M. Wahab, J. Hamet, L. B. Kitchell, S. Hamet, J. Kitchell, A. R. M. Samy, M. Wahab, A. R. Dallah, and R. Nazarin.

Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.—A. R. Minu, A. R. Dallah.

Singles Handicap.—A. K. Minu. Runners-up, A. R. Minu.

Pairs Handicap.—Winners, A. M. Wahab and J. Hoosen. Runners-up, M. U. Razack and A. R. Minu.

Pairs Handicap.—Winners, D. M. Khan and S. A. R. Bux. Runners-up, A. Bakur and A. S. Sallah.

Rinks Championship. Winners, Badan Singh, A. M. Wahab, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah (skip). Runners-up, E. el Arculli, M. U. Razack, D. M. Khan and E. el Arculli (skip).

Lawn Tennis. Singles Championship.—1, H. D. Rumljahn; 2, A. R. Minu. Doubles Championship.—1, H. D. Rumljahn and T. Ali; 2, K. Ram and Firdos Khan.

Doubles Handicap.—1, A. R. Minu and T. Ali; 2, H. D. Rumljahn and M. U. Razack.

Junior Championship.—1, T. Ali; 2, K. Ram.

Singles Handicap.—1, M. I. Razack; 2, S. A. R. Bux.

EAGLE PERCHES ATOP HOTEL

Porterville, Cal. This city got the "once over" from a real golden eagle. The bird, probably driven from the Sierras by snow, flew into town and alighted on a big tree. Then the eagle took up its perch on the top of the Homer Hotel, where it spent most of the afternoon before deciding to quit civilization.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued 12.30 p.m. Saturday, says:

A fair amount of business was transacted during the morning and, in most instances, at an advance on the opening quotations.

Sales

Hongkong Bank \$1,360
Canton Insurance \$225
Union Insurance \$440
Douglases \$67
H.K. & K. Wharves \$101
H.K. Docks \$164
Providents \$4.45
H. & S. Hotels \$5 1/2
H.K. Lands \$32 1/2
Humphreys \$7 1/2
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H.K. Tramways \$10 1/2
Star Ferries \$65
H.K. Lights (Old) \$8 1/2
China Lights (New) \$5 1/2
H.K. Electric \$55 1/2
Macao Electric \$10.60
Sandakan Lights \$12
Telephones (Old) \$22 1/2
Canton Tees \$1
Cements \$12 1/2
Dairy Farms Ex Rts. \$20 1/2
Entertainments \$0 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 3 1/2% prem.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par
Marsmans (H.K.) 4/2

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1,285
Union Insurance \$42 1/2
China Lights (New) \$5 1/2
Dairy Farms Ex Rts. \$15 1/2
Benguet Consolidated Pa. \$11.60
Coco Grove Pa. \$2 1/2
Consolidated Mines Pa. \$0.025
H.K.L. Pa. \$2
San Matriculo Pa. \$1.00
United Faracale Pa. \$5

Lord Newborough Engaged

Miss Deniza Braun is now wearing a 15-carat diamond engagement ring given to her by sixty-year-old Lord Newborough. Notice of their marriage has been given at a London register office. Miss Braun is thirty-one; Lord Newborough's first marriage was dissolved last year.

THIEF FLEES TROUSERLESS

Omaha, Neb. Picture a thief getting his trousers caught in a door and to prevent capture, slipping out of them and fleeing. It actually happened, but police believe the "pantsless man" didn't lose any time in pilfering another pair, for they were notified the same night that someone had stolen a pair of trousers from a bedroom.

SPORT ADVTS

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

Tennis Tournament 1939

Monday, 8th May—Open Singles Final.
Tsui Wai-pui v. Tsui Yan-pui.
Wednesday, 10th May—Open Doubles Final.
Ho Ka Lau and Lee Yue Wing vs. Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui.
The Prize Giving will follow the Open Doubles.
Matches commence 4.30 p.m.
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Honeymoon Lingerie



WITH lingerie there are no definite fashions which must be followed—it is a case of "a little of what you fancy does you good."

Every now and then a new material, a new colour, or a new style may be introduced to fall in with the general trend of fashion, but on the whole these things are very much a matter of individual taste.

Consider the surroundings you live in, and consider your "type"—for you will never be really happy with anything that isn't "you."

The athletic girl who chooses a scrap of stuff-and-chiffon looks for all the world like

a racehorse in a negligee—and sooner or later realises it; too late, alas, to change the purchase; too soon, oh dear, to be able to discard and buy again.

Notice the difference between the lingerie photographed from the trousseau of the unsophisticated country bride and that sketched from the trousseau of the bride-about-town who is honeymooning in Paris and setting up flat in London.

Only the negligees and two representative nightdresses from each trousseau are described here, but at the foot of the page are details of inexpensive lingerie sets which would be suitable for both girls' trousseaus.

1 The dressing-gown is an exotic affair, but is far more practical than it looks.

The pale blue chiffon is ruched with elastic threads, which means that it will wash beautifully and can be pulled out flat when being ironed. It also means that the gown fits the figure like a charm.

The ruching gives double folds of the material for extra warmth, and allows her to bundle the gown in anyhow when she is packing, with no fear that it will come out like a crumpled handkerchief. Most modern flats are central-heated, so she probably will not need a thick dressing-gown as well.

2 She has a bed jacket to match, which is a nice idea. It gives out too much bulk for packing such a satisfactory feeling to go all out on one really good set like this. The long sleeves make the jacket more sophisticated than it would be with the more usual short sleeves.

3 The two nightdresses which have been sketched for the town bride are both in peach satin and chiffon, and look very lovely under the pale blue chiffon negligee. Notice the Grecian top—a particularly becoming type of bodice for a youthful figure.

THE country sports girl type, Angela represents the bride of a young professional man in a small country town. Her trousseau is tailored, unsophisticated—a complete contrast to that of the town bride, because of the difference in her type, and the kind of life she will lead.

The dressing-gown she has chosen, which is not illustrated, is in heavy blue shantung silk (very nice material for the country), with padded collar and corded edges.

The double-breasted tailored style is very youthful, and it is a gown with warmth but without too much bulk for packing on her motoring honeymoon.

Her trousseau nightdresses include one in pale blue satin which will go nicely under this dark blue dressing-gown. This nightdress is a warm one, with a high-necked ruffled front, but it has all the trousseau "posh-ness" one could desire. Another of her pretty nightdresses—in white satin—is photographed above.

And For The Rest

LINGERIE, free of too much fuss yet feminine, can be used by both types with equal success. You'll need camiknickers with the summer coming, slips and knickers, stockings and a good foundation garment.

Here are some suggestions to work upon. All these garments are beautifully cut, simple in design, and will last as long as the rest of the good things we have planned for you.

White chiffon camiknickers with a own particular brand of corset which has threads of narrow elastic run through to give the bust-line snug fit without tightness, for they'll give to your figure this way. These chiffon camiknickers can also be bought in blue, peach, apple green, and pink. A set consisting of camiknickers, knickers, and slip in pure white silk crepe-de-chine is French hand-made, cut with the style and accuracy that the French devote to their lingerie. The knickers and camiknickers have scalloped edges, and are trimmed with white satin applique, all hands are done.

If you are superstitious and like a sheer and durable touch of blue on your underwear, spend a little more and get a pair of camiknickers in white crepe sateen with satin applique outlined in sky-blue stitching. This looks frail and bewitching, but crepe sateen has a reputation for being one of the hardest-wearing materials ever. Lace-trimmed satin and crepe-de-chine slips come in a variety of pastel colours, knickers to match.

Corsets

As a rule every woman has her own particular brand of corset which suits her figure, and from which she cannot be deterred. If, however, you can't make up your mind about corsets, a good one is a well-known make of corset with lace brassiere top, entirely boneless, but so cut in a superlative material that it'll control your figure completely.

Stockings

Whatever you pay for stockings you'll need at least a dozen pairs. Choose them in colours that are new and fashionable. Well-known makes in copper shades, deep pinks are done.

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Cultivating Charm In Childhood

BECAUSE the world is as it is a inner intelligence that is under-charming person will always be standing more successful than the one who is neither prepossessing nor attractive.

Fortunately both good looks and feelings. This does not mean that it must not have a contrary opinion, or that it should become a "yes-child." And it is not too soon to start right from "babyhood." Much must be made to understand the complexion is clear and fine, the never be hurt. It should be taught eyes bright and vital, and the hair, to want not to hurt them.

First a word to the wise. Never allow any child's manner to become them. Too frequent and too tactless correcting will often produce a usually very much applauded, there-small automaton who will politely fore it is best avoided.

but uninterestingly answer, "Yes, Don't encourage children to say pleasure," and "No thank you" with funny things because you think they have any original conversation, and that they understand and think of for who will sit primly, and answer in themselves otherwise that forced a trained way when questioned. On effect becomes noticeable again.

the other hand, most children require a certain amount of correction, both in manner, and that it is compounded by so carefully done that it never for others, and the gift of making becomes a lesson learned, but is remarks which are right at the right simply insinuated into the mind of time. Add to this that quality of the child in such a way that he or inner warmth which flows to the she considers other people's feelings person being spoken to, convincing and reactions subconsciously.

Artificial charm is never appealing, and to the happiness of the speaker, but the small person who has a ready as it were, and there you have charm, smile, and a friendly word, neither But how can a child do all that, too shy nor too precocious, who you ask? Well, everyone has a certain knows when to speak, yet who does take gift of charm to begin with, party, is well on the road to growing sometimes the way is too stony, and into a charming youth.

Having learned the first two most flourishes grandly in spite of all, difficult rules—when to talk and And always it can be helped and when to be silent (and little ones encouraged).

must learn the latter very thorough— One important point to remember ly, other lessons to be learned are is that the child who is treated with choice of conversation. These are charm and consideration by an in-also difficult, and many people go telligent mother will usually develop right through life without ever learn- ing their own charm whether latent or ing them. They cannot be learned alive, almost without effort.

"parrot fashion." They require that



Hats for summer are really smart, and here we have three of the best. At left, a small but bulky sailor of red and black straw braid. Its graceful black quill is brilliantly lacquered; its veil red. At top, lilac wings and pink carnations set the spring colour scheme of this May straw hat. The streamers are pink silk velvet ribbons. Below, the Gibson girl and the Merry Widow inspire today's hat styles. This lady wears a sailor of shiny black patent leather topped with a big white quill, with one of the smart new veils which cover the face.

Mrs. Cowan, who played with Messrs. Cowan and Bailey in a Hongkong Hotel turn in 1935, recently sailed for the East by the Helyo Maru with a cast of revue players assembled in Hollywood. At Kobe, however, the Helyo Maru was sent into dry dock and arrangements were made for the transfer of the players to the Terukuni Maru, which is not due in Hongkong until May 18.

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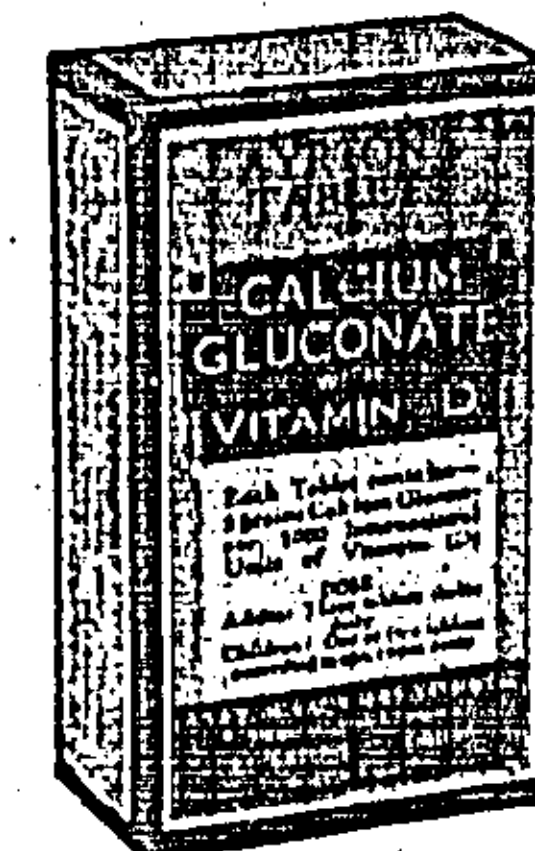


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Departure By Plane

Genevieve Tobin And Husband

After one crowded day in Hongkong the Hollywood film star, Miss Genevieve Tobin, and her director husband, Mr. William Keighley, left for Hanol by Air France plane on Saturday morning. Their departure was quite without ceremony.

Others who left by the plane, also bound for Hanol, were Mr. R. A. V. Ribeiro, Mr. H. Dietel, Mr. G. Zepernick, Mr. W. J. Miller, Mr. S. E. Lavrov, and three Chinese.

TO EUROPE AND RETURN

San Diego, May 5. All plans are ready to launch a secretly-built passenger transport plane capable of flying to Europe from America and return non-stop.

The plane will carry 52 passengers and its cruising range is expected to be 10,000 miles with a maximum speed of 275 miles per hour.

It is reported that American Export Airlines are interested in the cruiser which it is proposed to use in Trans-Atlantic competition with Pan-American Airways. —United Press.

ARCTIC AIR SERVICE

Moscow, May 7. Plans for establishing a regular air communications service from Moscow to the Arctic regions will be taken in hand upon the return of the Soviet aviator Maslurik from the Arctic base where he has been engaged for some time in carrying out a series of experimental flights.

In announcing these plans yesterday Moscow newspapers claimed that the proposed air route linking up Moscow with the Schmidt Peninsula in North-east Siberia by way of Archangel and Chelyuskin would save a total length of 17,500 kilometres and would be the quickest route from Europe to the Far East.

The new service will be inaugurated following the erection of several airports equipped with stocks of fuel and direction finding wireless stations. Trial flights are said to have shown that a service can be maintained with safety throughout the entire year. —Trans-Ocean.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. May 9. Imperial Airways 7 a.m. May 12.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite. For U.S.A. via Manila and Guam: Pan American Honolulu Clipper 8.30 a.m. May 11.

For France, via Hanol: Air France 6.30 a.m. May 13.

Inward

From London, Australia and British countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. May 8. Imperial Airways 5 p.m. May 11.

From U.S.A. via Guam, and Manila: Pan American Honolulu Clipper 12.30 p.m. May 10.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Service indefinite.

From France, via Hanol: Air France 1 p.m. May 10.

EU BROTHERS TO WED

Two of Mr. Eu Tong-see's sons are to be married shortly in Hongkong.

The elder, Mr. Eu Keng-loon, a banker, will wed Miss Nancy Kan Shui-kwan, of 1, Eastern Terrace, Hongkong; the other, William Keng Yuet Eu, a merchant, will take as his bride, Miss May Shum Swee-ye, of 44, Bonham Road, Hongkong.

REVUE FOR HONGKONG

Japan Ship Change May Delay Players

The unpleasant news that the artists for their revue, booked to open in Hongkong on May 17, would probably not be able to arrive before May 18 at, Messrs. Lynn Cowan and Bill Bailey, well-known players and producers, when they arrived from Singapore by the Haruna Maru on Saturday.

Mrs. Cowan, who played with Messrs. Cowan and Bailey in a Hongkong Hotel turn in 1935, recently sailed for the East by the Helyo Maru with a cast of revue players assembled in Hollywood. At Kobe, however, the Helyo Maru was sent into dry dock and arrangements were made for the transfer of the players to the Terukuni Maru, which is not due in Hongkong until May 18.

Mr. Cowan, who had booked the Queen's Theatre for May 17, spent yesterday searching for a ship, schedule which would bring his artists in by May 17, but it is likely that the team will come on by the Terukuni Maru and open on May 18. The revue's real mission is the opening of Messrs. Cowan and Bailey's new 10-storey Cathay Cafe, Cinema, and Roof Garden in Singapore on July 20. While here they will play at several theatres, as well as at the Hongkong Hotel.

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RANCHI	17,000	10th June	B'bay, Marseilles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'don & A'werp.
*BHUTAN	0,000	17th June	B'bay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	17,000	24th June	B'bay, Marseilles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'don & A'werp.
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*BEHAR	0,000	26th May	Shanghai & Japan.
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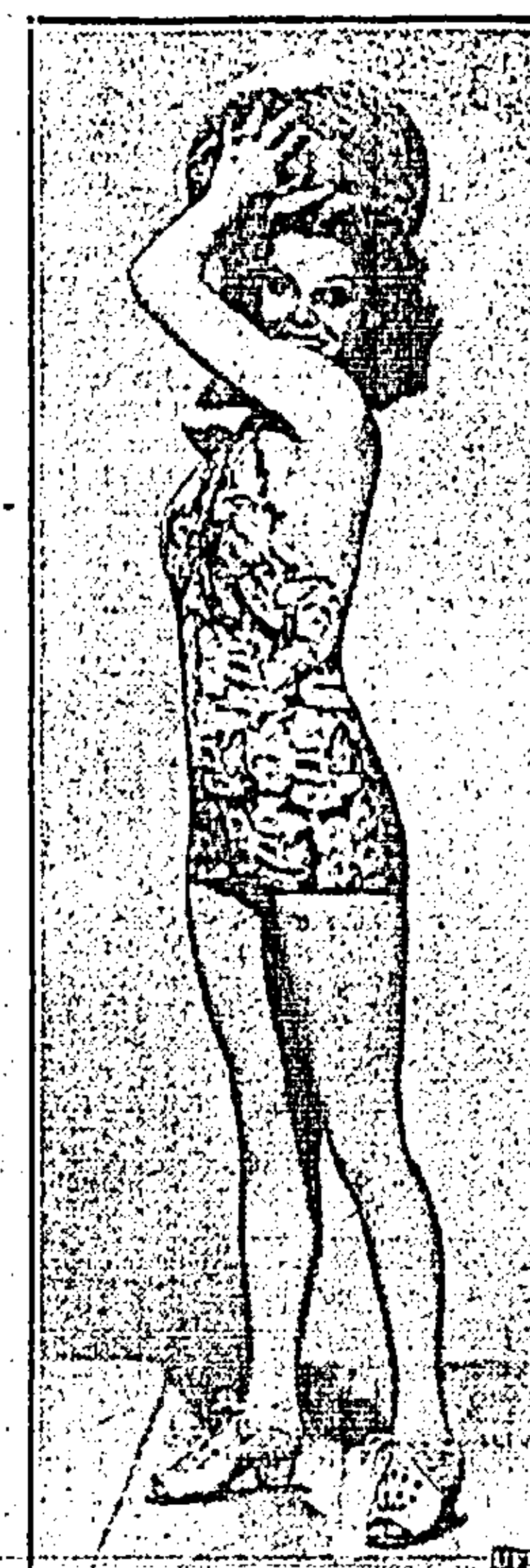
PHOTO NEWS



John Naumo, upper inset, dashed into a New York apartment, after a hold-up, and defied police by threatening to shoot elderly couple he used as shield. Valiant Father Quinn, lower inset, went through fire-escape window and got Naumo to surrender.



Scene as Los Angeles welcomed Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Ingrid of Denmark, who are on a 34-day goodwill tour of the United States. Motor ship Canada, bearing them, moves at left to dock. Inset shows royal couple as national anthems of Denmark and America were played.



Red-headed, Ann Sheridan, whom Hollywood appears to have chosen to wear the glamour crown of the late Jean Harlow. Miss Sheridan is a Texan, who won her screen fame via the beauty-contest route.

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Foreign Minister Josef Beck of Poland, whose mission to London was regarded as most important of his career. He went to strengthen Poland's ties with Britain.

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MEMORIAL ORGAN

Dedication Service At Methodist Church

The Makeham Memorial Organ, erected in memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Makeham, was dedicated at the morning service at the English Methodist Church, Wanchai, yesterday. The service was conducted by the Revs. J. E. Sandbach and E. Moreton.

Mr. and Mrs. Makeham died in 1931 and 1933 respectively. They were worshippers and devout workers of the Church for thirty-five years. The organ was erected as the result of a bequest to the Church by the couple.

Mrs. A. Dransfield, an old friend of Mr. and Mrs. Makeham, performed the ceremony of unveiling the memorial plate and unlocking the new organ. The Rev. Mr. Sandbach said the prayer of dedication and thanksgiving.

The service began with the old organ. The first hymn played on the new instrument was "O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise." The Organist, Mr. H. Stansfield, also contributed an organ voluntary. Mr. A. Glanville sang a solo, accompanied by Mr. Stansfield.

Among those at the service was Mr. A. Blackett, who built the organ, which is a beautiful piece of work and a tribute to his skill.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Sandbach, who recalled the life and social work of the late Mr. and Mrs. Makeham. They were a couple, he said, who gave up their lives to the service of God, and did much good in the Colony where they commenced a movement which was still being carried on, that of making a home from home for the many Servicemen serving their time in the East. Though they had now departed this life, yet they were present with them at the service through the organ, which would be a memory of them for all time.

NOVEL ART PROCESS

Woman Painter to Give Unique Exhibition

The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild announced that from May 13 to 15, they will present an exhibition of watercolours and oil paintings by Ernie Freedlander, who recently arrived in the Colony from Europe.

The process of this artist's work is novel, for unlike the ordinary direct painting on canvas she paints the finished work on glass and transfers this to a special kind of paper.

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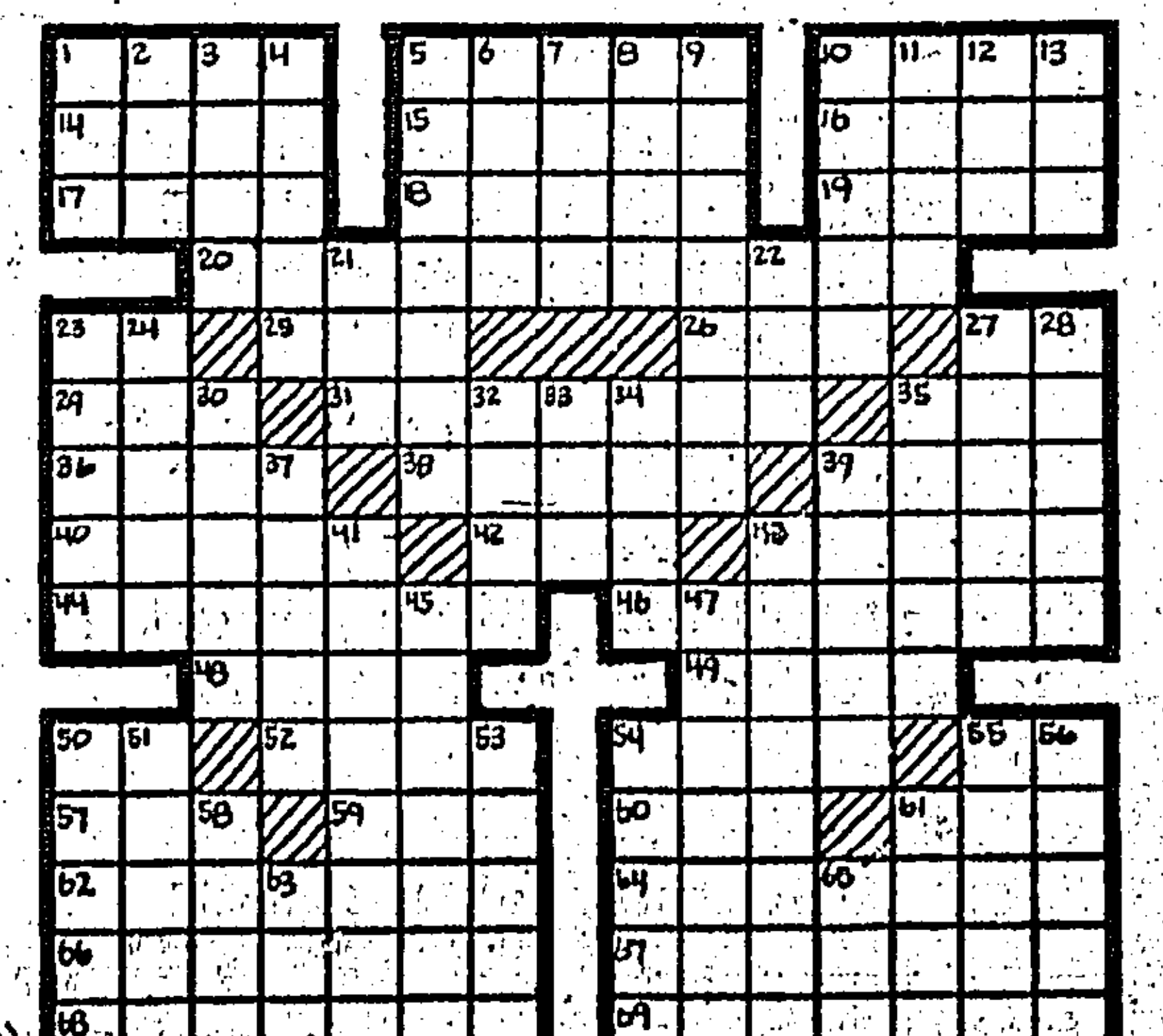
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ACROSS

1—Albers
2—Sound
3—Man's name
4—In a row (poetic)
5—Philips
6—Hills (Scottish)
7—Horried
8—English queen
9—Present crown
10—Perform
11—Metal shoe-lace Up
12—Erls
13—Fable
14—Wanderer in foreign
15—West diet
16—Latin money
17—Artificial waterway
18—Have tendency
19—Relative on mother's side
20—Tales
21—Pertaining to tide
22—Give reason for hope
23—Part of sea
24—Fruit of tree
25—Note of scale
26—Kind of prep
27—Printer's measure
28—Only ship
29—Profile
30—Music denoting tempo
31—Rural English
32—Salute

DOWN

1—Founder of Persian religion
2—Hale phrase
3—Class of woodbine
4—Seem to spin
5—Connect with
6—Portions of circle
7—Became acquainted with
8—Eviction device
9—Terrorist
10—Editor of Labour's issue
11—Chari
12—Jamb
13—Valleys
14—State as result
15—East Indian tree
16—Kind of worthless
17—Imprint
18—Circ
19—African mammal
20—Incised roadway
21—Instruments
22—Mental satisfaction
23—Shipwreck
24—Male forest
25—Spanish bull-fighter
26—Unpleasant
27—Asteroid
28—Large meat
29—Kind of Sicilian city
30—Exterior
31—Kind of alcoholic beverage
32—Choose by vote
33—Members of ancient
34—Arap race
35—Ancient king
36—Combine form
37—Alder
38—Move away (prov.)
39—In straight direction



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REGISTERED LETTER Quarrel Between Postman And Sanitary Inspector

A summons for assault on March 20 brought by Li King-fai, Postman, against Tang Ho-yam, Sanitary Inspector, was dismissed by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday after evidence had been given by Tang.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ was present for the defence.

At a previous hearing, Li said that he was outside a house in Talpo Road when Tang stopped him and struck him a blow on the nose.

Tang, in evidence, said the trouble arose after the Postman had refused to hand over a registered letter unless it was chopped with a chop registered in the Post Office. The Postman then left and was heard to make abusive remarks about him being a rubbish inspector. He went out and told the Postman he would report him, and the man then rolled up his sleeves to fight, so he hit him in self defence.

In discharging defendant, the Magistrate said it was obvious that some person was telling lies, and in view of the conflicting statements and certain amount of doubt, he would have the summons dismissed.

POISON REGULATION Alterations Announced In Government Gazette

Changes in the Poisons Regulations were announced in the Government Gazette on Saturday. The notice rescinds the regulations, the five lists in the first schedule and the whole of the second schedule, and announces a long substitute.

A note declares that the fundamental changes effected by the new regulations consists in the exclusion from Part I of the Poisons List of all Part I poisons so that a list of all poisons will no longer be entitled to retail any Part I poison, except where it forms a very small proportion by weight of a preparation or mixture.

This saving provision enables a shopkeeper who is a listed seller to retail certain proprietary preparations in common use.

New provisions are also made in respect of the supply and storage of poisons in institutions and there are also supplementary provisions with respect to labelling, containers and transport of poisons.

Records of every import, purchase or sale of poisons by licensed wholesale dealers must hereafter be kept.

YVONNE TAKEN ILL Crooner Stricken With Appendicitis

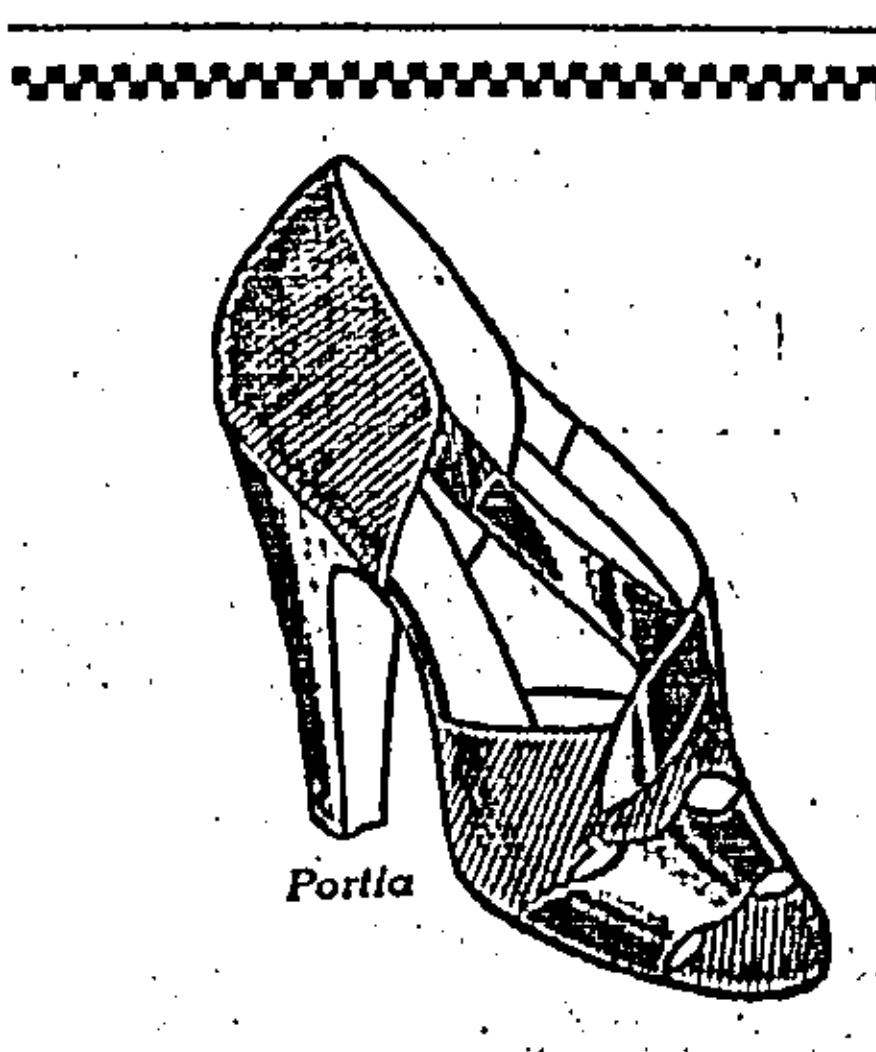
In the midst of a party she was giving on Saturday, Yvonne, the popular crooner at the Hongkong Hotel, was suddenly taken ill, and was rushed to the Connaught Hospital, where an operation for appendicitis was performed. She is progressing favourably and is out of danger, but she will be unable to resume her work for some weeks.

YOUTH FESTIVAL
The Confucius Hall, Hollywood Road, was full to capacity yesterday, when members from the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Students' Christian Union and the Chinese News Reporters' Club, participated in the celebration of the Youth Festival. After speeches were delivered by various speakers, a programme of entertainment was provided.

Anglo-Turkish Treaty?

Istanbul, May 6.
Reports from Ankara state that an Anglo-Turkish agreement has been reached for collaboration to assure security in the Mediterranean. The terms of the agreement will be announced on Monday simultaneously in the Turkish Parliament at Ankara, and the House of Commons in London.—United Press.

HURRIED SUMMONS
Ankara, May 6.
In response to a summons from his Government, M. Potemkin, the Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, left hurriedly for Moscow last night. Strictest secrecy surrounds the conversations M. Potemkin had with Turkish leaders.—United Press.



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Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O., Commander in Chief of the China Station, has been appointed to the rank of Admiral in His Majesty's Fleet. His flag will be hoisted at the main in H.M.S. Kent at 8 a.m. to-day.

His Excellency took over the China Command in February last year, previous to which he occupied the post of Fourth Sea Lord. During the War he commanded the cruisers Achilles and Courageous, and after promotion to Captain in June, 1918, commanded the light cruiser Calliope. He afterwards held two appointments as flag-captain, and was in command of the two training establishments at Shotley and Gosport. In 1920-21 he was Director of the Operations Division, and in 1922-23 he was Director of Naval Equipment, and in 1923-24 he commanded the 2nd Cruiser Squadron in the Home Fleet.

In 1929, Admiral Noble was Naval A.D.C. to His Majesty the King. It was in this year that he was promoted to Rear-Admiral.

TO RETAIN COMMAND
London, May 7.
It is announced that Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble has been re-appointed Commander-in-Chief of the China Station on promotion.—Reuter.

American Pilot Killed

Chungking, May 7.
It was disclosed to-day that Weigle, American pilot, who joined the international bombing squadron, was killed here on Thursday when his training plane, while taking a sharp turn the engine stalled and the machine crashed, killing him instantly. Weigle had many friends among foreign circles here.—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

CONFIRMATION Ceremony Performed At St. Andrew's Church

Parents and friends of nine boys and 18 girls were present at the St. Andrew's Church yesterday to witness their confirmation. The Rt. Rev. Bishop R. O. Hall conducted the service.

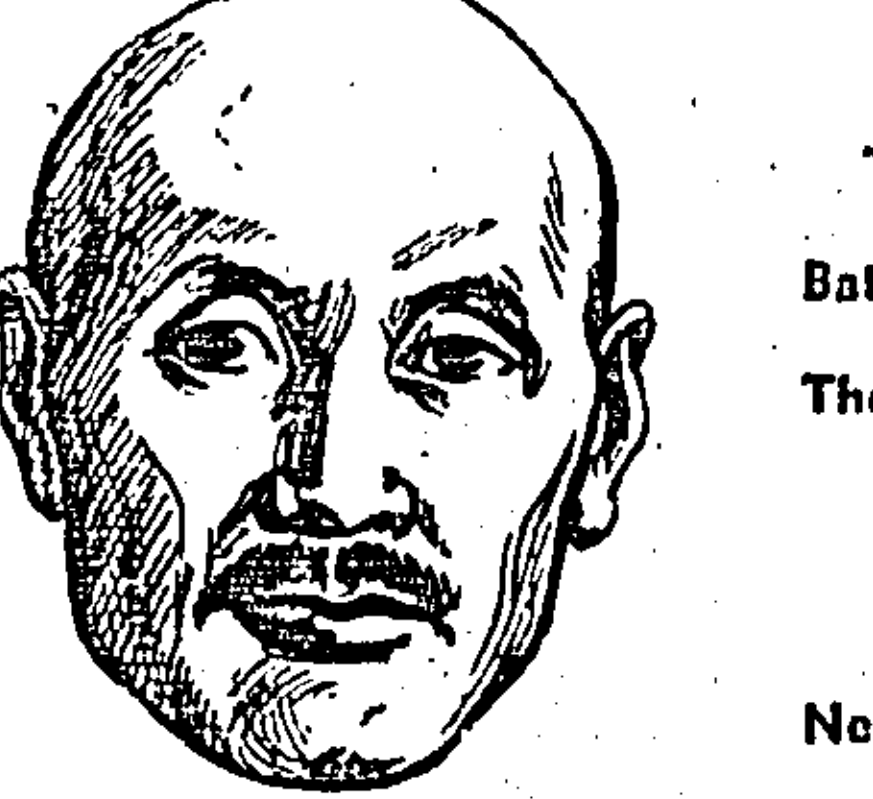
The candidates were: Boys.—A. W. Lapsley, A. Calman, F. Crabb, R. Jan, R. H. Taylor, D. A. Hutchinson, T. L. Lockhart, D. Barton and D. W. Arnott. Girls.—J. U. Bradbury, H. W. Millington, E. Andrews, L. King, P. M. Morton, J. B. Carey, A. Chang, R. Tickell, J. F. Sayers, J. M. Barks, A. P. Nash, P. Loseby, J. R. Smith, E. Watson, V. M. Bradbury, D. V. Holloway, M. Woods and M. Gould.

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Alleged to have cheated a friend of \$50, by pretending that he could find him employment in Wellington Barracks as a delivery cooler, Lam Wan, 23, unlicensed hawk, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday, charged with obtaining money by false pretences.

Sgt. T. Cashman said Lam had known complainant, Leung Pak, 36, since childhood. On May 3, he met Leung in Wanchai and told him about the job. The next morning, Leung met Lam in Kennedy Road and gave him \$50 as a fee for getting the job.

Lam went into one of the military buildings lining the road, and was away more than two hours. Leung then looked for him, but could not find him. Lam was arrested on information on Friday.

A sum of \$34.73, which Lam admitted was part of the \$50, was found on him.

Asked what he had done with the rest of the money, Lam told Mr. Forrest that he had used it to redeem property. He was remanded until to-day to enable him to raise the money to repay complainant.

COMPULSORY SERVICE Registration Increase During Week

Enquiries from Mr. K. A. Blimead, Assistant Superintendent of Police, who is in charge of the Registration of British subjects for emergency service, revealed that there has been an improvement in the rate of registration during the past few days as a result of the wide publicity.

To speed up registration, facilities have been made available by the General Post Office, and the Travel Bureau at the Hongkong Star Ferry wharf, for filled in registration forms to be left. Forms can also be obtained and filled on the spot.

Registration forms, similar to those issued to British subjects of non-Chinese race, are in the course of preparation, with the addition of Chinese wording, for the voluntary registration of British subjects of Chinese race. This has not yet been begun, but will commence as soon as the necessary forms are ready.

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Totalitarians To Form Military Alliance ITALY & GERMANY REACH AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID

ROME, May 7.

A political and military alliance was agreed upon to-day between Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, and Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, in the course of their conversations in Milan.

An official *communiqué* issued after the meeting between the two statesmen says:

"In the conversations between Count Ciano and Herr von Ribbentrop on May 6 and 7, the present general situation in the international situation was taken into consideration.

"Once again note was taken of the perfect identity of views between the two governments.

"It was decided to fix in final form in a political and military pact, the relations between the two States of the Axis.

"In such a way, Italy and Germany intend to contribute in an efficacious manner to assuring peace in Europe."—*Reuter*.

NO SURPRISE

LONDON, May 7.—The Italo-German decision to define the Axis relations in a political and military pact does not altogether come as a surprise to London, writes "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

Official circles, however, are reserving comment in the absence of details about the scope of the pact.

It is remembered, of course, that relations between Germany and Italy have been the favourite theme for some time past of German and Italian politicians.

It is presumed that the wording of the *communiqué* is designed to put an end to rumours of Italy's dissatisfaction with Germany's policy.

On the other hand, it is stressed that if there is a general dislike among Italians for the existing links with Germany, conclusion of the pact would only serve to accentuate such a feeling.

London observers regard the pact as regularising Germany's military position insofar as Italy is concerned.

ITALIAN NEUTRALITY

Two points are being discussed in diplomatic circles. Firstly, the effect on possible Italian neutrality in certain circumstances; secondly, the relation of Germany to the Mediterranean and North Africa.

NEXT MOVE IS UP TO GERMANY

Poland Awaits Developments

Warsaw, May 6.

IT IS authoritatively learned that Poland intends to take no initiative in negotiations with Germany.

It is understood that Poland believes that Germany should now reply to Col. Beck's implicit invitation to open parleys.

Rumours that Signor Mussolini may endeavour to mediate are officially denied.

German reports say that terrorism has been instituted against the German residents in the Polish Corridor. The official viewpoint stresses the fact that Poland has outlined firstly, a reasonable policy regarding Danzig and the Polish Corridor; secondly, that Germany, according to Nazi sources, has rejected Col. Beck's statement; and, thirdly that Poland

PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

Spheres Of Influence

Count Ciano's paper, the "Telegrafo," says that Italy and Germany recognise that each has a sphere of interests. For Italy it is the whole of the Mediterranean; for Germany, it is the Baltic and the Central European zone. Each carries out the realisation of its task in full autonomy without the other being right to be compelled to support its partner, but only to facilitate the way.

"In one case only is solidarity rigid and entire, namely in an ideological war. In that case, the two countries are resolved, because they know that the defeat of one would mean catastrophe for the other."

Count Ciano is returning to Rome to-day, and Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop is going back to Berlin.

Warsaw Weakens?
A Warsaw report says that official quarters decline to comment.

FIXED A PACT



COUNT CIANO

CHRISTIAN UNITY

C. Of E. To Invite Pope To Take Lead?

LONDON, May 7.

IT IS understood that the Archbishop of Canterbury will shortly make a statement in connection with his reported approach to the Pope for a united Christian front in the interests of world peace, under the leadership of the Pope.

It is understood that during his recent cruise in the Mediterranean, the Archbishop obtained support for his plan from the Archbishop of Athens and the Patriarch of the Orthodox Church at Istanbul.—*United Press*.

Pope's Appeal

Vatican City, May 7.
In a six-minute broadcast to the Aigiens Eucharistic Congress, His Holiness the Pope invoked the faithful to continue their prayers for the maintenance of peace.

"May peace be established between the nations troubled by continued anxiety," he prayed.

Referring to the faithful in Africa, he said, "Neither the movement of cruising ships nor the rumble of armaments which echoes along the shore is able to interfere with your mystic faith."—*United Press*.

LABOUR PLANS TRADE UNION FOR SERVICES!

LONDON, May 7.—Sweeping proposals for the re-organisation and democratisation of the armed forces are contained in the Labour Party's policy statement on defence which will be submitted to the party conference at Whitlawn.

Improvement in pay and conditions are outlined, and the establishment of ministries for supply and defence are recommended with wide powers in overcoming productive delay and in dealing with profiteering.

It is stated that great military and social value would be derived from a regulation making it necessary that all applicants for commissions should first serve a year in the ranks.

Freedom for members of the armed forces to join trade unions and professional associations is also advocated.—*Reuter*.

Italian Position Claimed Stronger

LONDON, May 7.
WHILE RESERVE is displayed in official circles in London concerning the new Italo-German pact, chiefly owing to the fact that its full implications are not yet known, it is admitted in well-informed quarters that the alliance will strengthen Italy's position in the Mediterranean.

It is stated that in all probability the inner council of the British Cabinet will meet on Monday morning to discuss the pact, especially as questions from the Opposition are expected to be made in the afternoon in the House of Commons.

The *communiqué* regarding conclusion of the pact did not reach Paris early enough to allow the papers to comment on it. However, political circles regard the event as being one of great significance.

Before the *communiqué* had been made known, "Le Temps" forecast it and added that perhaps it would be an answer to the introduction of conscription in Britain. However, it was added, such a pact would change nothing as regards the proportionate strength of the various Powers as they stand at present.

In official circles, however, two questions are asked: what will be the effect on German-Polish relations, and on Italian demands against France?

It is felt that the chances of Rome exerting a moderating influence on Berlin have been minimised as a result of the pact.

It is stated that Mussolini intends to postulate his claims against France in a speech at Turin on May 14.—*Trans-Ocean*.

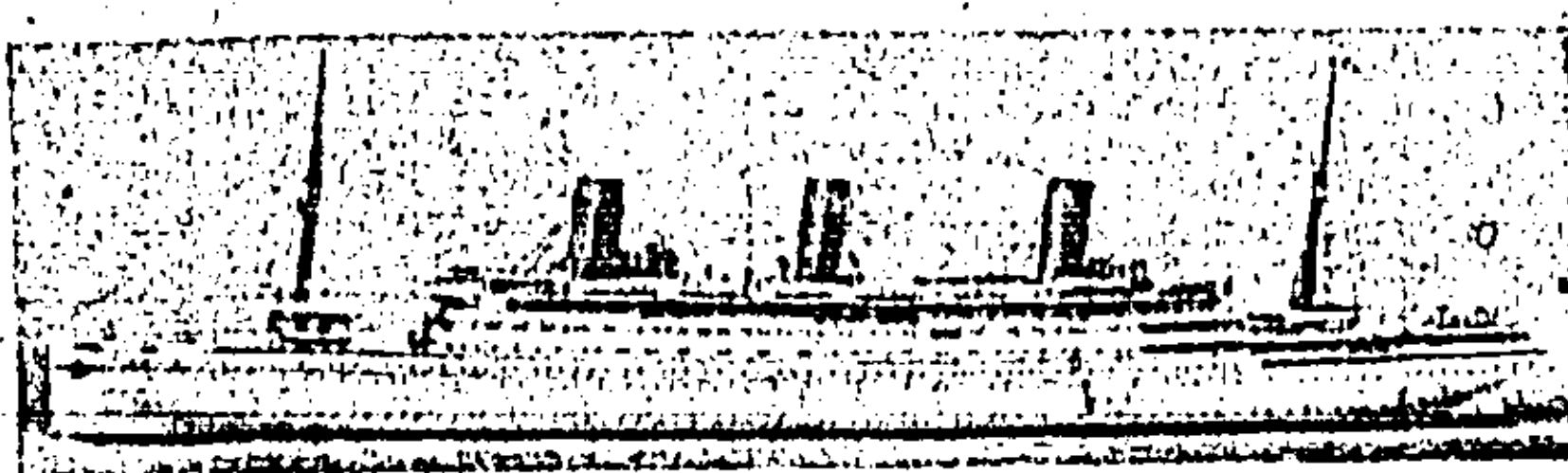
Berlin Pleased

BERLIN, May 7.
That the Italo-German military and political alliance clears up completely any doubts as to whether perfect harmony existed between the two partners of the Axis is the general feeling in political circles in Berlin.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Mussolini To Speak

Rome, May 7.
It has been officially announced that Mussolini will visit Turin next Sunday. It is believed he will make an important speech.

It will be recalled that his visit to Turin has been postponed several times owing to the European situation.—*United Press*.



C. P. Liner Empress of Australia

King And Queen Don Lifebelts At Sea

LONDON, May 7.—"Reuter's" special correspondent aboard the Empress of Australia, reports that while the ship ploughed her way through a moderate swell, and bright sunshine with a stiff breeze, Their Majesties attended divine service this morning, conducted by Captain A. R. Melkile.

Punctually at noon the ship's sirens gave the signal. "Boat Stations", and Their Majesties and the whole royal party donned lifebelts and hurried to their appointed places on the promenade deck for inspection by the ship's commander.

Their Majesties are spending the afternoon quietly, reading and resting. The first day's run was 282 miles.

During the afternoon, the ship passed the Normandie, and they exchanged radio greetings.—*Reuter*.

A. R. P. IN SINGAPORE

Evacuation

Plan Abandoned

SINGAPORE, May 8.
THE MALAYAN Defence Council has announced the abandonment of the policy of mass evacuation in the event of emergency.

Making this announcement to-day, the Secretary for Defence said that it had been decided to urge the populace to "stay put" in the event of air raids. Although the policy of dispersal had been hard, it was, he claimed, a palpable fallacy.

The paramount concern of the Government, he announced, was defence against conquest or sustained blockade. The protection of lives and property of individuals must be secondary to this paramount need.

"There is no reason to suppose that air raids will have any significant effect on the defence of the fortress, or that civilian casualties will be comparable with the death toll during the notable epidemic of influenza," he said.—*United Press*.

McNutt May Resign U.S. Commissioner Leaving Manila

MANILA, May 7.—Mr. Paul McNutt, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, to-day announced that he is proceeding to China on May 11 aboard the U. S. transport Chaumont.

He will proceed to the United States from Shanghai aboard the Commodore Coe on May 31, arriving at San Francisco on June 22.

His future plans were not announced although it is believed locally that he will resign as High Commissioner after a visit to Washington.

His financial adviser, Mr. Weldon Jones will act as High Commissioner during his absence.

It is believed that Mr. McNutt will visit North China before his departure from Shanghai. His friends and various officials have been requested to forego any formal functions for his send-off.—*United Press*.

C. In C. Becomes An Admiral

The official salute of an Admiral, seventeen guns, was given by the Commodore this morning as the flag of Admiral Sir Percy Noble, was hoisted at the main in H.M.S. Kent, in Chief of the China Station, was recently appointed Admiral, and the appointment was announced to-day. He has also been re-appointed Commander-in-Chief of the China Station.

London Hitch With Russia

LONDON, May 6.

A FEW MINUTES after the Soviet Ambassador left the British Foreign Office to-day, Lord Halifax crossed the street to No. 10 Downing Street to discuss the document with Mr. Chamberlain in the light of the Cabinet Committee's recommendations and to-day's consultations with M. Maisky.

Before going to lunch, Lord Halifax also discussed the position with Lord Cadogan, Under Foreign Secretary.

Government quarters have indicated that the reply in its final form is likely to be an offer of a compromise.

It is suggested that Britain will still propose that Russia should unilaterally extend a promise of support to victims of aggression in East Europe which would become operative only after Britain and France have given armed help to such victims.

It is understood that the reply, as contemplated, will re-open the possibility of a tri-power military alliance, after an agreement has been reached on the afore-mentioned plan.—*United Press*.

Procrastination

LONDON, May 6.—It has been officially disclosed that the new British proposal aimed to bring Russia into the Anglo-French security front has been delayed because of the "necessity for further consideration."

Mr. Chamberlain is personally changing and re-drafting the Note, which originally left the door open for an eventual military aid pact without accepting the Russian proposal for a mutual aid pact.—*United Press*.

French Disappointment

Paris, May 6.—Officialdom here is clearly disappointed at Britain's rejection of the Russian proposal for a military alliance against Hitler, PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

LATEST

Baltic States Accept Pacts

Tallinn, Estonia, May 7.
Estonia and Latvia have both decided to accept a non-aggression treaty with Germany.
The Latvian Foreign Minister was in conference with the Estonian Foreign Minister here on Saturday and returned to Riga to-day.—*United Press*.

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Further Late News

NEW EMERGENCY LAWS SIGNED BY LEBRUN

PARIS, May 7.—Emergency decrees signed by President Lebrun on Saturday were published in the official Gazette to-day.

A decree relating to the introduction of compulsory training in civil air raid precautions in French schools, provides that up to 12 lessons a year may be set aside for the purpose.

The Social-Democratic Teachers' Union protested against the introduction of a new subject, which it declared was "superfluous."

A further decree provides that all fuel reservoirs, in Algiers, with a capacity of more than 14,000 cubic metres were to be reinforced and protected against bombing from the air by August 15.

A decree relating to the central supervision of fuel consumption provides for the creation of an inter-ministerial field committee. The Minister of Public Works has been appointed chairman of the new committee, while the Secretary-General for National Defence will be deputy-chairman.—*Trans-Ocean*.

BROTHERS STARVE TO DEATH

GRIMSBY.

FOR a year three Grimsby brothers lived on nine shillings a week.

One had an Army pension of eight shillings a week, one had 8s. 6d. a week from his club—the other had nothing. They paid 2s. 6d. a week for medicine—and the rest had to buy their food.

The only other means of support they had was 37s. they received twice a year as Freeman of the Borough.

They lived on bread, margarine, potatoes and milk—and did not get enough of those. Their meagre rations slowly

sapped their strength. They began to starve slowly to death.

DEAD IN BED

Recently one of the three, Colverly McUlrich, was found dead in bed at the home in Kent-street, where he lived with his brothers.

His brother, Albert, was lying ill in the same bed. Albert was taken to the infirmary, where he died.

At the inquest on Colverly later a doctor said that death was due to prolonged under-nourishment. Albert's death also is said to have been contributed to by under-nourishment.

The third brother, Charles Edwin, was asked at the inquest if they had never had public assistance.

He replied: "I was told I could not get it," but a P.A.C. officer said they could have had medical attention as well as relief by asking for it.

POSED AS AN EARL

LESLIE Francis Collier, aged 20, who, it was stated, had posed as an earl, was sentenced at Surrey Quarter Sessions at Kingston to three years' penal servitude for false pretences.

A constable said that Collier, who had five previous convictions, was the son of an Army officer.

He joined the Army in the ranks, and later entered Sandhurst for a commission, but failed to pass the examination.

He was married at Norwich, and was arrested on a false-pretence charge shortly after the ceremony.

Mr. C. G. L. du Cann, defending, said Collier did well at Sandhurst until his mentality underwent some change which no one could understand.

He went to Belgium, where he did some extraordinary things, and his father brought him back to this country after paying his debts.

He disappeared and went to Birmingham, where, at a cost of £5, he sent a cablegram of congratulations to a famous almanac in Australia, although they were not acquainted.

FIGURES MATCH

BRISTOW, Okla.

Amazed was the word to describe the post-office staff here. Employees checked and rechecked figures, but their first total was correct. Receipts for the Bristow post office for the last quarter of 1938 were exactly—to the penny—the same as for the final three months of 1937. The total was \$7,922.43.

BABIES TEST GAS BAGS IN LONDON

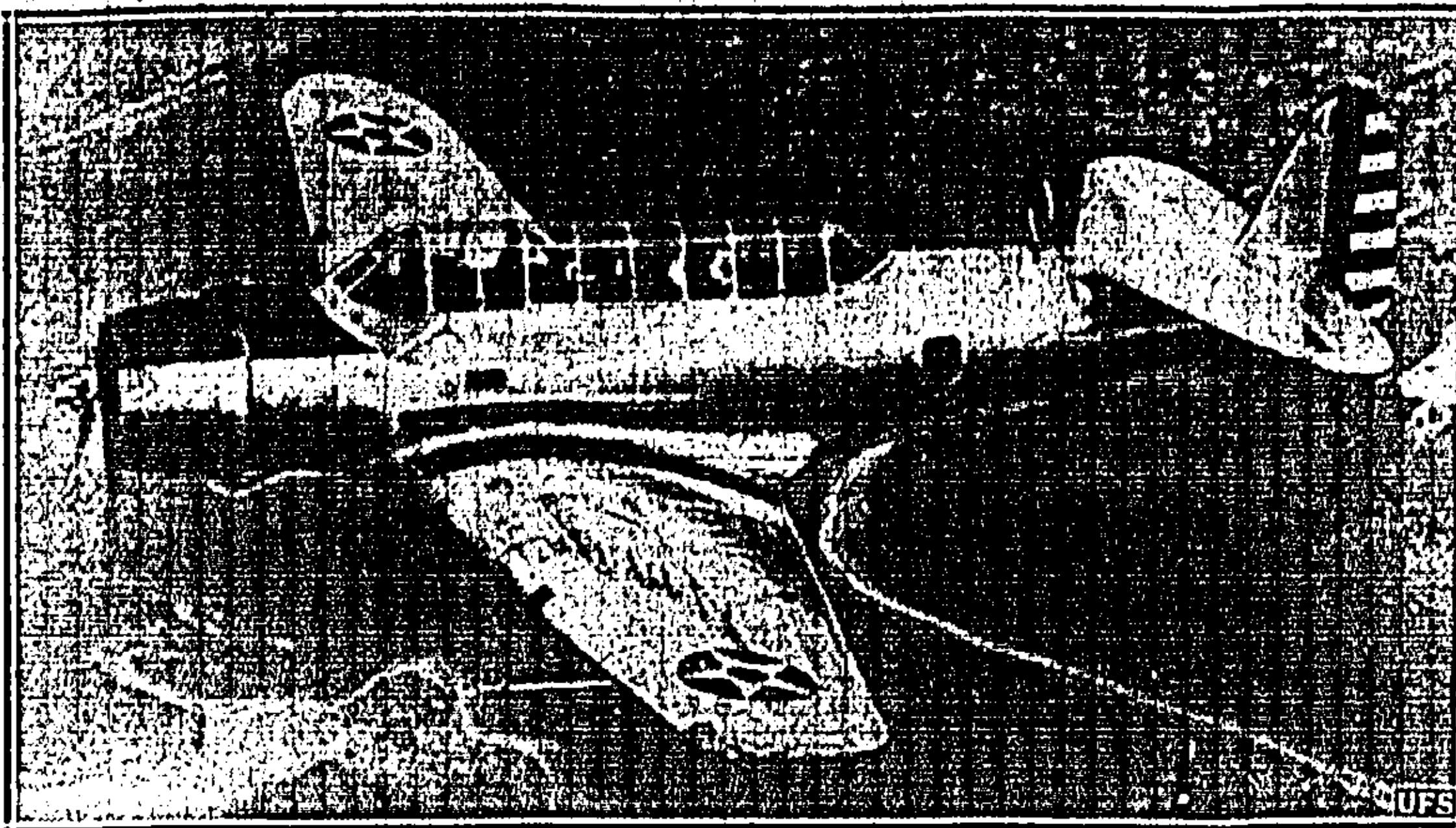
The Home Office have tried out gas bags for babies on some of the families living in the 800 London County Council flats on the Bourne Estate, Holborn, E.C. Some babies thought the bags were new tops; others, according to mothers, nearly choked in them.

TRAGEDIES STRIKE

State College, Pa. College students are not immune to the tragedies of life. Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men at the Pennsylvania State College, has found that each week 18 of Penn

Sir John Anderson, A.R.P. chief, has said in the House of Commons that it is proposed to issue 1,200,000 bags to families with babies under two years.

State's 6,000 students are absent from classes because of deaths in their immediate families.



Here is one of America's newest bombers, an all-metal attack plane, taking its initial flight over Downey, Cal., before delivery to the army. Carrying a crew of three it can attain a speed of 230 miles an hour. It is designed to carry 800 pounds of bombs.

£250,000 Club Has To Use Oil Lamps

AT six o'clock every night Bill Pendor, barman, trims the wicks and lights the two oil lamps on either side of his cocktail bar in the great drawing-room of the Pinewood Club, Iwer, Bucks, the £250,000 millionaire's mansion which for the last two years has been a country club for British film stars.

His customers wear overcoats, for during the last ten days there has

been neither central heating nor electric light.

Bill Pendor is one of six out of a staff of forty-two club servants who remained on to keep the club open. Their last resident, the film star Milla Aker, left a week ago, because he could no longer see to read in the evenings.

CLOSED DOWN

The heated indoor swimming pool in which stars and guests saw in the New Year of 1938, bathing at midnight under sun-ray lamps, has become a cold plunge; the £100 television set is dark and the sixteen acres of ornamental gardens, wired for flood-lighting, will not light up.

The club has been dark because the £750,000 studio buildings behind it, in which "Pyramidal," "Stolen Life," "The Mikado," "Keep Smiling," and "This Man Is News" were made last year—have been idle since December, and the power plant which serves them and the club has been closed down to save expense.

When Pinewood and Denham studios were amalgamated recently it was agreed to fill the studio floors at Denham first.

The Pinewood Club, which has 1,000 members, is being kept open at a £100 a week personal loss by Mr. Charles Boot, the sixty-five-year-old building and civil engineering magnate, who bought the estate when it was Heatherden Hall, country residence of the late Colonel Grant Morden, millionaire M.P.

Mr. Boot turned it into a luxury country club, and built the £750,000 film studios behind it.

MODEL VILLAGE

He also built a model village of some 400 houses for studio workers. Now barely a dozen employees of the studio occupy those houses. The block of studio workers' flats is tenanted.

Mr. Boot hopes that the studios will be working again by July. He leaves for Greece, where he has 3,000 men working on civil engineering projects.

Asked about the future of his £1,000,000 enterprise in British films, he said:

"The British film industry needs a man to organise production. The efforts of many of the people responsible for organisation are erratic and feeble, they are quite unable to realise the forces available, they fail to discern between the good and bad, they strike the thing in a casual way and let in too much that is uncertain and extravagant."

Mr. Boot lists the other weaknesses of the industry as:

(1) Wealthy distributing concerns too little concerned with the need for encouraging British productions, content to take profit from distributing American films.

(2) British technicians and workmen who have taken full advantage of the incompetence of studio managers to hold them up for higher wages and extravagant extra allowances.

Spinach Cannery Shut Down

SAN JOSE, Cal.

It is presumed that a cry of joy will go up from American youngsters fully as great as the groan of woe that came out of Santa Clara Valley when spinach farmers were informed by several canning concerns that there will be no canning of spinach this year. March is the height of the season for canning spinach, but the canner from last year is sufficient for the coming year.

Film Director Fined For Smuggling

FARQUAR - G - R - A - Y

GEORGE TINN, film director husband of a Russian ballet dancer who has appeared at Drury Lane, was fined £300, with ten guineas costs, at Croydon recently for smuggling jewellery.

He tried to evade duty on a gold and ruby wrist watch, valued at £80, a honeymoon present to his wife, a gold dress clip, and a man's steel wrist watch, each worth £11.

Mr. Douglas J. Willson, prosecuting, said that when Tim and his wife arrived at the airport from Paris he declared only some Russian books, some medicine and a small box.

Mr. William J. Brooks, Customs officer, said he found the gold clip in a trunk beneath hanging dresses. In another bag he found two watches. In a third was the steel wrist watch, an old one.

'I'M IN A HURRY'

Mr. Alfred Sturt, assistant preventive officer, said Tinn told him he had imported the gold clip last year, and paid duty on it in Folkestone. He was asked to produce the clip, and then said he had brought in 500 other things at the same time. He made a declaration, which he signed.

"When he was asked to make a second declaration about the gold and ruby watch," said Mr. Sturt, "Tinn replied, 'I am in a great hurry to attend a conference. I will pay £200 for a phone call to anywhere. You may check up and do what you wish.'"

Mr. J. Sutton, chief preventive officer, said when he pointed out to Tinn that the declaration was incorrect, he said, "I treated the form like one would treat an application for a driving licence."

Tinn said he had to admit he did not tell the truth about the gold clip, but he meant to declare the steel watch. He bought the gold and ruby one for his wife while they were on their honeymoon in Cannes in July.

They returned to England in September, and his wife wore the watch then. She also wore it when they went abroad again. He could not

remember whether or not duty had been paid on it.

Mr. Willson, cross-examining, asked him: "Are you so wealthy that you might forget the payment of a sum like £25?"

"Yes," he replied.

Prize Dobermanmann Acquired

SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

An internationally famous Dobermanmann pinscher dog has been acquired by J. L. Baptiste, of Schenectady. The dog, Carol van Oonnes, is believed to be the only Dobermanmann ever to hold championship awards of three countries, America, France and Belgium. In addition, Carol has won many police, war and Red Cross dog training awards.

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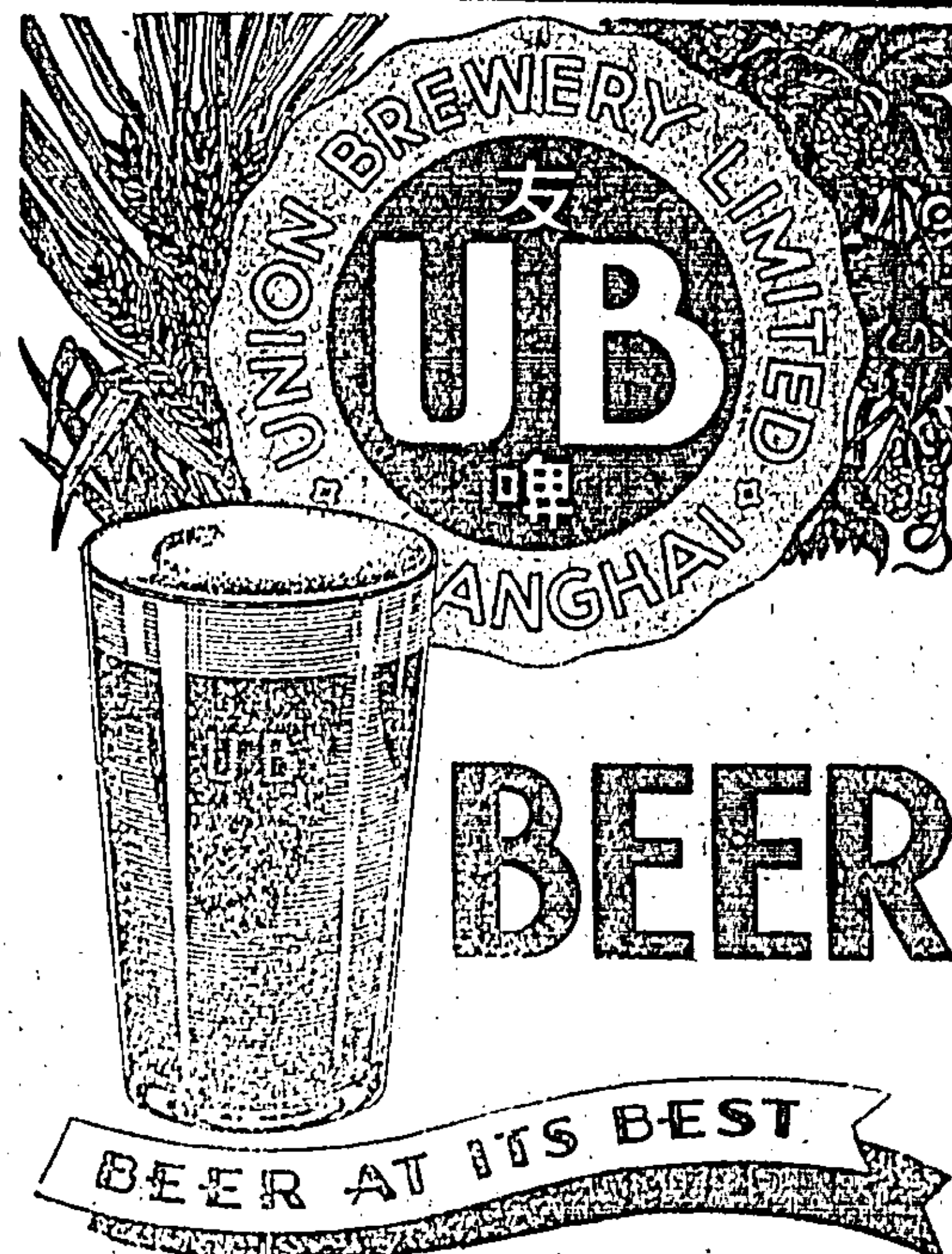
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MR. A. MENZIES SHARPE, the man who introduced gland treatment to the Cup Final teams, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Portsmouth, plans to live to 120.

He is so sure he can do it that he is taking out a life insurance policy for £10,000, payable on his 120th birthday. Although tall, well-built Mr. Sharpe is 58, he looks 40. Why? Because he takes his own "medicine"—the animal gland extracts which he makes for the football teams.

Mr. Sharpe talked about his plans in his laboratory, part of a beautiful old manor house in Hertfordshire.

"You may think it fantastic," he said, "but I mean business when I want a quotation for a £10,000 policy payable on my 120th birthday."

"I AM PREPARED TO PAY THE PREMIUM NOW IN ONE SUBSTANTIAL LUMP SUM."

"Already I have approached two insurance companies, who told me politely that they would first have to work out new actuarial figures."

"As this is in the nature of a challenge, I am giving all leading British insurance companies an opportunity to quote me a premium." Formerly a mining engineer, Mr. Sharpe first became interested in glands, or the science of endocrinology, as a hobby.

Ten years ago his hobby became his full-time job.

HOT FAVOURITES

In the summer of 1937 Wolverhampton adopted Mr. Sharpe's gland treatment to build up a team of super players.

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There is a potential fortune for Mr. Sharpe in gland products, but he has no desire to become a millionaire.

"My policy is altruistic rather than commercial," he said. "As the demand for gland extracts increases, I shall be able to reduce the prices."

"Already the cost of twelve injections, as supplied to doctors, has been reduced from £20 to £5, and further reductions will soon be possible."

"I shall be content if the business pays without profit to myself."

In any case Mr. Sharpe feels he

King Zog, left, who called upon his people to defend their nation against the Italians, is shown in Tirana, his capital city, recently, as he reviewed some of his troops. With him is Queen Geraldine, who fled to Greece, a few days after the birth of her baby son, Prince Skanderbeg.

'Morals Are Terrible'

AN astonishing attack on the morals of home life in King's Lynn, Norfolk, has been made by the Vicar of St. John's, the Rev. E. W. Allworthy, at his annual church meeting.

He declared that children barely five years old will use foul language in the streets. "This terrible crime," said Mr. Allworthy, "is thrown upon them from ungodly parents of all but pagan homes."

HOMES POLLUTED

"The results when they reach maturity hardly bear thinking about. Worse than that, many homes are broken up or polluted because men and women are living in sin and satisfying their carnal appetites like brute beasts that have no understanding."

"Some of us would be surprised if we knew the number of men and women in this town who are breaking up homes in this way."

Mr. Allworthy said no doubt some people would suggest that he was a prude "and so try to whitewash their black sin."

Girl Of 12 Has A "Perm"

'She Ought To Be Spanked' Says Judge

"I NEVER heard of such nonsense," said Judge Richardson recently, when he was told that 12-year-old Ruth Harrison, of Millfield, Sunderland, had been to have her hair "permed."

"If a child of this age gets burned while having her hair waved," he went on, "I should be inclined to say that it serves her jolly well right."

"It might prove an advantage for her to be pulled up in her somewhat precocious vanity." With these words, Judge Richardson, who was sitting at Sunderland County Court, found for a hair-dresser against whom the child had claimed £15 for burning her hair.

"FOOLISH WASTE"

"A child of 12 who wants to have her hair permanently waved should be taken over her mother's knee and spanked," he said.

"The girl must have very foolish parents to spend 3s. 6d. on having her hair permanently waved. It is a foolish waste of money."

"It is probable that the girl has now got a very good lesson in not being vain and foolish—a lesson, apparently, which she could not have got from her parents."

"A child of 12 prinking herself out!"

"SMELLED BURNING"

"The girl alleged that she had been left in a cubicle with electrically heated irons in her hair while the assistant went for luncheon."

She smelled something burning and knocked on the wall of the adjoining cubicle to call another assistant who turned off the current. These allegations were denied.

EMPIRE NEWS

CZECH CONSULATE IN SYDNEY CLOSED

SYDNEY.

Dr. E. Kvelon, Consul-General of Czechoslovakia in Sydney, handed over recently the consulate to the German Consul-General here, Dr. R. Asmls.

He was acting on instructions from Prague, and these apply to consulates throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Mr. W. M. Hughes, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, states, however, that the Commonwealth will not recognise the German Consul as representing Czechoslovakia unless Britain gives de jure recognition of the German annexation.

Dr. Kvelon is returning to Prague by the United States.

KENYA

MR. GROVER TO WORK IN UGANDA

MOMBASA.

Mr. Brian Grover, the London engineer who was arrested in Russia last year after flying there to bring back his wife, they were on their way to Buti, Uganda, where Mr. Grover is to work as a drilling engineer on the oil concession of the African and European Investment Co.

Mrs. Grover, who still speaks very little English, was delighted to meet a compatriot here—a woman who lives in Mombasa and who has had no opportunity to converse in her own language for many months.

After his release from prison in Moscow Mr. Grover intended to return to his post with a London engineering firm, but later accepted this appointment in Uganda.

INDIA

LEAVE PAY TO RANK FOR TAXATION

CALCUTTA.

Leave pay is to rank for taxation under India's new income-tax legislation. Both officials and ordinary members of the public proceeding overseas on leave will be affected.

Among the first officers of the Government of India to be affected will be Sir James Grigg, the Finance member, who sails this month on leave pending his return to the English Civil Service in a post at the War Office.

Indians in South Africa.—Reports from South Africa suggest that the Union Parliament may postpone consideration of the bills giving local authorities power to segregate Indians. It is believed that this respite is an acknowledgment of the strong protest by the Government of India against the anti-Indian agitation in South Africa.

SOUTH AFRICA

FEWER NATIVE MINE WORKERS DIE

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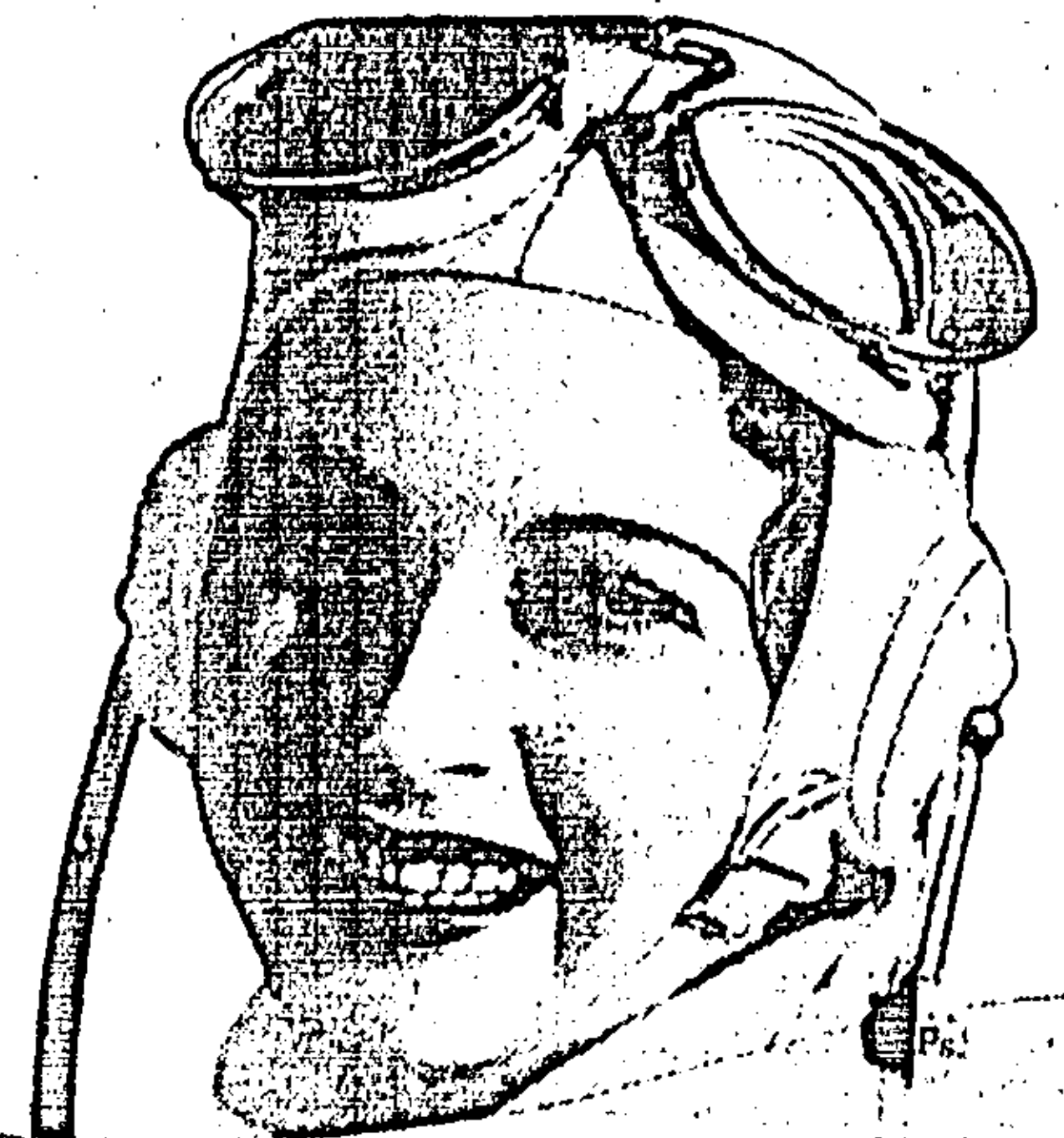
The annual report of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Mines, discusses the striking success that has attended efforts to safeguard the health of natives on the Rand.

"There can no longer be any objection by the Government concerning the employment of Nyanaland natives in the gold mines on the grounds of health," the report states.

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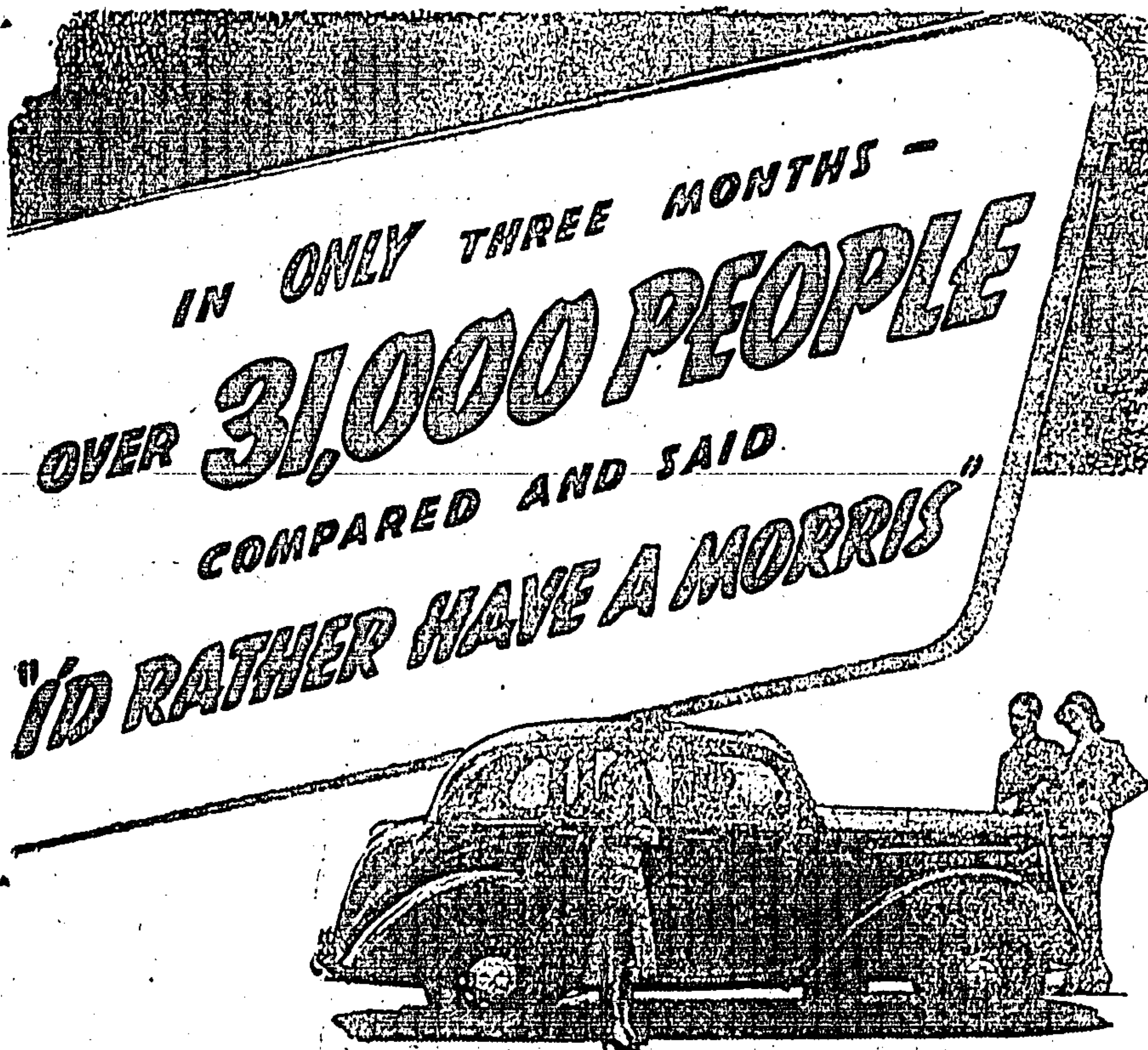
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H.K. Banks, Lon. £.....85 n.
Chartered £.....77 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £.....27 n.
Mercantile, C. £.....13 n.
East Asiatic £.....80 n.

INSURANCES

Canton \$.....225 b.
Unions \$.....442 1/2 b.
China Underwriter \$.....130 n.
H.K. Fire \$.....100 n.

SHIPPING

Douglas \$.....67 b.
Steamboats \$.....15 n.
Indo-Chinas, P. \$.....60 n.
Indo-Chinas, S. \$.....24 n.
Shell Bearers \$.....81/10 1/2 n.
Waterboats \$.....8-40 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$.....101 b.
Docks \$.....17 s.
Providents \$.....4 1/2 sa.
New Eng. Sh. \$.....7.05 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh. \$.....100 1/2 n.

MINING

Kallan \$.....17/8 n.
Rauks \$.....0.55 n.
Venz Goldfield \$.....3 n.
Hongkong Mines etc. \$.....4 sa.
Atamoks P. \$.....31 sa.
Atoks P. \$.....

LANDS

Hotels \$.....5.50 b.
Lands \$.....33 1/4 sa.
Lands 4% deb. \$.....109 n.
Shal Lands Sh. \$.....8.85 n.
Humphreys \$.....7 1/2 b.
H.K. Realities \$.....4.10 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....102 n.

UTILITIES

Trams \$.....10.45/10 1/2 sa.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....8 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....4 n.
Star Ferries \$.....22.60 n.
Y. Ferries \$.....22.60 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....8.30 sa.
China Lights (new) \$.....5 1/2 b.
H.K. Electric \$.....16.80 n.
Macao Electric \$.....12 n.
Sandakan Lights \$.....22 1/2 b.
Telephones (old) \$.....7 1/4 n.
Telephones (new) \$.....21/- n.
Traction (Pref.) \$.....22/- n.

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Cold Macg. (ord.) Sh. \$.....14 n.
Cold Macg. (Pre.) Sh. \$.....13 n.
Canton Ices \$.....12.60 n.
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Dairy Farm (ex. rls.) \$.....21 s.
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Watsons \$.....7 1/2 n.
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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 4th May to the 18th May, 1939, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 6th May, 1939.

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ITALY AND GERMANY REACH AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID

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ment on the German-Italian military and political pact, until more is known of it, but there is no feeling here that Poland's international position in any possible negotiations over Danzig has been weakened by the pact.

The view is held unofficially that the pact has been forced on an unwilling Italy, which has no desire to see a European conflict over Danzig.

At the same time, it is thought likely that only after receiving assurances of moderation from Germany could Mussolini have agreed to such a pact.

The pact leaves no doubt that it is now for Germany to decide the future of Polish-German relations.

The "Gazeta Polska," the official Government organ, hopes that Germany will choose the way of peace, and will begin negotiations on the basis outlined by Colonel Beck in his speech.—Reuter.

Agreement Final

ROME, May 7.—The Italian Government announces that the political and military agreement concluded as the result of the negotiations between the German and Italian Foreign Ministers at Rome is designed to make German-Italian Axis relations final.—Domei.

London Belief

London, May 7. High diplomatic sources in London reveal that the Italo-German pact was agreed upon after France had ignored the apparent "invitation" from Italy to settle the Franco-Italian dispute.

About ten days ago, it was revealed, Italy gave France the first hint of terms for closing the dispute. The invitation did not make territorial claims against France.

It is also understood that Britain urged Italy to open negotiations with Mussolini in the hope of removing friction. However, the French Premier was reluctant to take such action, feeling that no concessions would induce Mussolini to abandon his anti-French policy.—United Press.

"Real Military Alliance"

Berlin, May 7. A spokesman of the Ministry of Propaganda to-day told the "United Press":

"The military pact announced at Milan is regarded here as a real military alliance."

It is believed that the pact is intended to deal another blow at the democracies.

Most diplomatic quarters feel that there will be reason to suppose that Japan will suddenly change her attitude towards a military alliance, since it is considered that Japan is delaying her decision until she has some idea of the direction of Russia's foreign policy.

The "Deutscher Dienst" comment on the new alliance, says:

"The pact is a smashing refutation of the allegations of the agitators reflecting on the firmness of the Axis and casting doubts on its unity. It is also a destroying stroke against the aggressive policy of encirclement."—United Press.

Italy Surprised

Rome, May 7. The decision to make the Axis a military alliance has come as a great surprise to the Italian public, since only this morning Signor Gayda writing in the "Voce di Italia" gave the assurance that there would be no new agreements or surprises from the Milan conferences.

Italians believe that Mussolini would not have entered a formal military pact unless he has obtained definite assurances that Hitler will support Italy's claims in the Mediterranean against France.—United Press.

Franco Orders Demobilisation

MADRID, May 7.—A decree has been issued which provides for the demobilisation of three classes of General Franco's army by May 15, comprising roughly 150,000 men aged 30, 31, and 32.

At the end of the war, the Nationalists had in service men from 10 to 32, whereas the Republican army extended from 17 to 45.—Reuter Special.

Maja Arrives in Cuba

HAVANA, May 6.—General Maja, former Spanish Loyalist leader, has arrived here en route to Mexico. He is accompanied by his wife and four daughters aboard the steamer Orbita.—United Press.

Air Force Escort For Ambassador

TOKYO, May 8.

ESCORTED BY a squadron of 24 high-speed pursuit planes, Sir Archibald Clark, the British Ambassador to China, accompanied by Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek, and other high Chinese officials, arrived at Chengtu, from Chungking at noon on Saturday.

Accompanying the Generalissimo to Chengtu were General Chen Cheng, Defence Commander at Chungking, and General Ho Kuokuang, Defence Commander at Chengtu.

Immediately upon arrival at Chengtu, General Chiang and General Chen proceeded to the Central Army Academy where the Generalissimo presided over an emergency military conference with Secchwang military leaders to make arrangements for the removal of the National Government from Chungking.—Domei.

250,000 Free Messages Cables Choked As Records Set

Mr. Edward Wilshaw, the Chairman of Cable and Wireless Limited, announces that the offer of free messages made to the Public of the Empire on May 1 has been "an overwhelming success."

The Public in all the Empire areas concerned availed themselves to the full of this opportunity of sending messages about themselves and their personal affairs.

A great number of telegrams passed between the troops overseas and the mother country.

The file of traffic was particularly heavy with Australia and New Zealand.

So remarkable was the volume of messages, far exceeding anything that could have been anticipated or has ever before been experienced in the telegraph industry, that the Company has still a number of free telegrams on hand for transmission.

In introducing the new service in this way it was hoped that something like 100,000 messages might be received.

It is not yet possible to give complete figures because in addition to messages from and to Great Britain particulars have still to be obtained regarding inter-Dominion and inter-Colonial traffic but it is already known that the number of messages exceeded a quarter of a million.

Telegraph Record

This multiplies several times anything ever known in telegraph history for one day's traffic.

It is regarded as an indication of the great need that existed for the new service and the general nature of the messages shows that entirely new ground has been opened up.

This vast volume of extra traffic has, of course, been handled without any interference with the large volume of commercial traffic which is normally carried.

British Ships Obtain Trade Increased Tonnage In Japan's Ports

TOKYO, May 8.—British vessels entering Japanese ports during the first quarter of this year show an increase of some 21 per cent. on the corresponding figures for last year, according to the Ministry of Finance.

During the first four months of this year, it is estimated that 562 ships, totalling 2,446,874 tons, of British ownership entered Japanese ports, giving British ships the lead among foreign vessels.

Norwegian vessels came second, with 240 ships, to take the lead from Chinese vessels, which dropped from a total of 328 for the same period last year, to 268 this year.—Domei.

SHARK CAUGHT Big Specimen Landed Outside Lyemun

A "shark fishing" party comprising Truffa, Inspector S. C. Saunders, Mr. Lau Man-ter, Mr. Tso Ho-sun, and Mr. Wong Kwok-ching, had a successful day out on Saturday morning. After the bait had been in the water for two and a half hours a 95 lbs. shark was caught.

The party left Shingaiwan at 7 a.m. and proceeded to their grounds, a mile outside Lyemun. The shark, which was five feet ten inches long, only took the sportsmen four minutes to subdue.

Mr. Wong, of the Sun Co., Ltd., in the 1938 season caught five sharks which weighed about five feet to seven feet in length.

Mr. P. and O. liner "Ranchi" left Singapore on Saturday and is due here on Wednesday at about 11 a.m.

LONDON HITCH WITH RUSSIA

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which would have revived the triple alliance against totalitarian expansion.

France has reiterated its bilateral Franco-Russian Mutual Aid Pact of 1935.

It is understood that Moscow has informed France that Russian policies envisage no isolationism or Russo-German rapprochement.

To-day's Cabinet meeting surveyed the foreign outlook, particularly the German-Polish crisis, Mr. Litvinoff's resignation, and the reported presence of German military technicians in Northern Italy.

In the French viewpoint, Britain's rejection of a military alliance with Russia does not imply the failure of the Anglo-French efforts to reach a working agreement for the guarantee of the territorial integrity of the States bordering Germany.—United Press.

Envoy Informed

London, May 6. The Soviet Ambassador to London visited the British Foreign Office at 11 a.m.

He was in conference with Lord Halifax, who informed him regarding the British reply to Moscow's proposals for a tri-power military alliance.—United Press.

Counter Proposals

Paris, May 6. The French Foreign Minister to-day reported to the French Cabinet on the progress of negotiations to bring Poland, Russia, Rumania and Turkey into the peace front.

He explained Britain's counter-proposal to Moscow's suggestion for a tri-power military alliance, and stressed the Pope's efforts in favour of peace.

The Cabinet approved and President Lebrun signed six decrees including defence precautions and reinforcing control of the foreign press in France.—United Press.

New Proposals

LONDON, May 7.—The British Foreign Office has forwarded new proposals to the British Ambassador to Moscow.

It is reliably stated that Britain is proposing that the Soviet should make a unilateral declaration of their intention to aid Rumania and Poland against aggression on the understanding that Britain and France have already gone to the aid of Poland and Rumania.

These proposals reject a military alliance or staff talks, although it is not specifically stated that these questions cannot be raised later.—United Press.

NEXT MOVE IS UP TO GERMANY

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has stated her thesis and has nothing more to say.—United Press.

Hymn Of Hate

Berlin, May 6. In scathing headlines, the German press complains about Polish "atrocities" against Germans in the Polish Corridor, and Col. Beck and Poland must accept responsibility for any developments which may occur, the papers state.

It is recalled that a similar campaign was made by the press during the deterioration of German relations with Austria and Czechoslovakia.

It is alleged that armed Poles maltreated Germans in Graudenz, smashed windows and furniture with the result that the "majority" of the inhabitants have fled.—United Press.

MILAN, May 7.—It was learned from circles close to the Italian Government that Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, during his conversations with Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, disclosed the German Government's intention of settling the Danzig problem "in accordance with the wishes of the majority of the people in the Free City."

Settlement of the Danzig issue, in the opinion of the German Government, is necessary in order to eliminate the impediment to peace between Germany and Poland and there is no intention of menacing Poland's independence.

Germany will reject interference by Britain and France in the negotiations.

The German and Italian Foreign Ministers are understood to have been in complete accord with regard to the Balkan situation.

Informed quarters reveal that under the present agreement, Germany and Italy will decide upon their respective spheres of influence in the Balkans and maintain close co-operation in adjusting relations with the small countries.

Germany is reported to have pledged full support for Italy's Mediterranean and East African policies.—Domei.

Soviet-Turkish Accord

MOSCOW, May 7.—"A community of views and aspirations for the reinforcement of friendship between the two States in the interest of world peace," was established at Ankara in talks between M. Potemkin and Turkish Ministers, states the official Soviet news agency.—Reuter.

The Rev. K. L. Reichelt will be the speaker at the usual weekly meeting of the Peace Pledge Union on Wednesday, the subject of his talk being "A message of peace from Madras." The meeting will be held at 6.30 p.m. in the Challenge Bookshop, Ice House Street.

POST OFFICE.

MAIL FOR CANTON
Registered and Ordinary mail and Parcels (not insured) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

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From	Per	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 3rd May	Imperial Airways Plane	May 8
Haliphong and Fort Bayard	Jean Dupuis	May 8
Shanghai and Amoy	Talyuan	May 8
Java and Manila	Tjisadane	May 8
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	May 8
Australia and Manila	Talping	May 8
Japan	Telrasias	May 8
Manila	Emp. of Japan	May 9
Tientsin	Hohow	May 10
Tientsin and Swatow	Hupch	May 10
Shanghai	Lima Maru	May 10

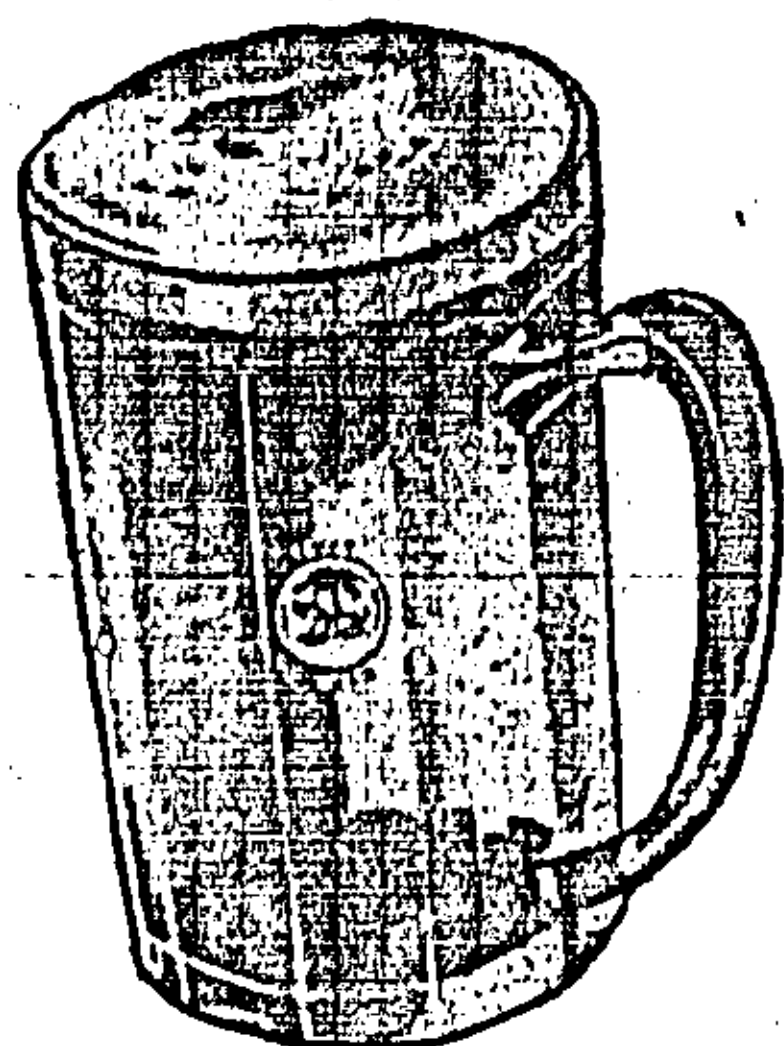
From	Per	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 3rd May	Pan American Airways plane	May 10
Salmon	Pres. Doumer	May 10
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers and Parcels—London date, 13th April and etc.)	Ranchi	May 10
Shanghai	Talhybius	May 10
Japan	Tango Maru	May 10
Straits	Butan	May 11

From	Per	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th May	Imperial Airways Plane	May 11
Shanghai	Marechal Joffre	May 11
U.S.A. Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 15th April)	Pres. Harrison	May 11
U.S.A. Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 21st April)	Pres. Pierce	May 11

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Monday	Date and Time.
Swatow	Yantash	Mon., May 8, 12.30 p.m.
Monibus, Belra, Lourenco Marques and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	Arabia Maru	Sat., May 8, 2.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Pakhol	Kwangtung	Mon., May 8, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Yunnan	Mon., May 8, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Dalren	Lippe	Mon., May 8, 3.30 p.m.
Japan	Yuesang	Mon., May 8, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 15th May	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., May 8, 5.30 p.m.
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	Reg.	May 8, 5 p.m.
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Lion and The Lambs

COLONEL BECK'S speech on
Friday has dispelled the con-
fusion about the precise under-
standing regarding Danzig. It
means, in effect, that if Germany
attempts to employ in the Free
City the methods that gained her
possession of Austria, Czecho-
Slovakia and Memelland, Poland
will resist with all the forces at
her disposal. Be it remembered
that the forces at Poland's dis-
posal now includes Great Britain
and France.

So far so good. At the same
time the hope of everybody re-
mains that the Germans and the
Poles will settle their differences
amicably.

It can be done. No hint of
defiant aggression lay behind the
Polish Foreign Minister's defence
of Anglo-Polish policy, and his
attitude throughout has been one
of rectitude and repression.

It is inconceivable that anyone
wants to go to war either on the
issue of Danzig or the Polish
Corridor, and there is no reason
why discussions should not take
place between Berlin and Warsaw
which might result in settlement
of the trouble without negotiation.

Poland, as Colonel Beck has
revealed, is not intransigently
opposed to any form of negotia-
tion. On the contrary, the tradi-
tion of Polish foreign policy and
the outlook disclosed by Colonel
Beck suggest that they will
always keep the door open for
conciliation.

The key to the entire situation,
as we see it, is Russia. The vital
and, it may be, decisive part
Russian co-operation must play in
any effective attempt to solve
Europe's problem is obvious.

There have been specific assu-
rances that this fact is appreciated
by the British Government, which
"is doing everything in its power
to foster it."

But the quotation was made
nearly a month ago. Actions are
more credible witnesses than words.
Unfortunately, there is evidence
that the contacts between Britain
and Russia have not been as close
or as frequent as they should be.

While Britain dilly-dallies with
Russia, Hitler is consolidating his
position in the north and in the
south. The military alliance with
Italy, announced this morning, is a
powerful weapon that will finally
decide on which side Yugo-Slavia's
bread is buttered. She has wavered
since the annexation of Albania; she
must now join the axis camp in
sheer self-preservation.

Meanwhile, Germany concludes
unilateral non-aggression pacts
with the Baltic and Scandinavian
States. She promises them indivi-
dually that if they won't attack

her, she won't attack them. These
States, in signing agreements on
this basis with the Reich, cannot
fail to recall with some trepidation
that similar assurances were given
regarding Austria and Czecho-
Slovakia.

The German lion asks the lambs
to lie down by its side. The dif-
ficulty for the lambs is that they
cannot be sure whether the lion
means them to lie down by its side
or inside it. The unhappy experience
of some of Germany's neighbours
suggests the latter.

THERE are long queues at every street
corner in Moscow. It is not bread-
people are waiting for—it is news.

The latest edition of the evening paper
will soon be out. Russians want to know
what is happening in Germany and Poland.

Every one feels that war may be precipitated
or substantially postponed according to the out-
come of the present moves in these two countries.

Russia does not want war. It is prepared to
make almost any concession in order to maintain
peace. But war is believed inevitable and pre-
parations are being made accordingly.

IN 1936 the Soviet Government spent
more than three times its Budget
estimate on national defence. It budgeted for an
expenditure of 1,665,000,000 roubles.

It spent more than 5,000,000,000 roubles—
that is about £100,000,000. At the same time a
great campaign was begun to rouse the Russian
people to the need of still greater expenditure.

They were warned that Japan was spending
46.5 per cent. of its Budget on armaments, while
Russia spent only 10 per cent. Since then the
military estimates have again been doubled.

These figures mean very little. They do not
include the cost of civil aviation. They do not
include the construction of tractors that can be
transformed into tanks.

They do not include the dou-
bling and trebling of wages
offered to skilled engineers as an
inducement to migrate with
their families to the danger
zones in the east and south.

They include only part of the
cost of building entire new cities
along the eastern frontiers with
the strengthening of national
defence as their main raison-
d'être.

The only way of estimating
the military strength of Russia
or any other country is to take
stock of its entire resources.
Russia is well aware of that.

It also knows that among a
nation's resources the degree of

technical skill and initiative
possessed by its people ranks
very high.

THE German soldier
against whom they
may have to measure their
strength is a deadly and scien-
tific killer. Among Germans
there is a surfeit of skilled
chemists and technicians. In
1914-18 the Germans killed three
of the Allied soldiers for every
two of their own men who fell.

Russia's High Command is
planning with all that in mind.
The Red Army has been
thoroughly modernised and
mechanised. The most advanced
models obtainable anywhere in
the world have been purchased.

There is only one doubtful
point. Having been given the
technical equipment, does the
Red Army soldier know how to
make the best of it?

"Russia is prepared to make
almost any concession for peace.
... But ... preparations are
being made ... The tractor
drivers are given special training
with military service in view."

Soviet authorities frankly ad-
mit that here is the most vulner-
able side of Russia's defences.
Stalin, in an address to students
in a military academy put the
position baldly and forcibly:
"... With skilled technicians in
sufficient numbers, Russia is in-
vincible. Without them we are
lame on both feet."

It is on this question that
Russia is now concentrating.
The Government is straining
every nerve to develop a popula-
tion with a high degree of
technical efficiency. The entire
nation, soldier and civilian alike,
is in training.

In Russia there is no sense of
a sharp division between the two.
The one merges into the other.
The army is associated with a
network of semi-military sports
organisations covering every
school, farm, and factory in the
land.

MILITARY training is
compulsory in all
Russian colleges. The students
—the women as well as men—
usually compete for the Voro-
shilov marksman's badge. I
have one of those myself.

It is the outward and visible
sign that I am a crack shot with
a rifle. Considering that any
time I play darts I am as liable
as not to miss even the board, I
feel a bit unworthy. But it was
presented to me in deadly seri-
ousness by a group of students
in Gorlovaka Mining College,
Don Bas.

As I was preparing to leave,
the students marched into the
hall in military formation and
carried out this
little ceremony.

To Russian
youngsters these
are no matters
for jesting.
They are learn-
ing to shoot, not
for the fun of
it, but because
they believe that
some day soon
Russia may be
drawn into war.

In the
countryside this
feverish preoc-
cupation with
military matters
is as strong as
in the cities.
Every collective
farm has its
sports organisa-
tion, responsible
for drilling the
peasants.

On Russia's
large farms
tractors are uni-
versally in use.
The newest trac-
tors are conver-
tible into tanks.
The tractor
drivers are
given special
training with
military service
in view.

Every tractor
driver is
regarded as a
potential tank
and tank driver.

Even the children have caught
the infection. I watched a
group of them listening to a
radio speech. Afterwards there
was much excited discussion.
They had been set a problem in
military strategy and invited to
send in their answers.

On a given date the correct
solution was to be announced.

THE other day a Derby-
shire girl decided to
train as a parachutist. This
was so unusual as to be reported
in the English Press as "news."
In Russia such sports, requiring
a high degree of daring and in-
itiative, have long ceased to be a
novelty.

Any day in the summer you
will see thousands of people in
the city parks, parachute jump-
ing from specially constructed
towers. This is the preliminary
part of their training.

Two of the chambermaids in
my hotel in Moscow were quali-
fied parachutists. A young
waitress in a restaurant I some-
times ate in was impatiently
waiting to take her final
examinations.

PLEASE Turn To Page 5.



IS THIS THE PICTURE OF THE YEAR?

RUSSIA does not want WAR



OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Duke Of Windsor To Broadcast

New York, May 7. The Duke of Windsor will broadcast to America to-morrow from the historic battlefield town of Verdun, where he is at present staying, according to a statement issued by the National Broadcasting Company of America.

The broadcast will begin at 10 p.m. N.E.T.—Reuter.

The Fleet Cheer King And Queen

Empress of Australia, May 6. Rindling from the Royal liner, Reuter's special correspondent said that when Their Majesties came aboard they found every detail of the two royal suites complete for their comfort and convenience.

Two thousand men working on the ship had covered her in the short time available from a passenger liner to a royal yacht. Both suites were gay with flowers, but furnished with a view to practical comfort rather than luxury, the predominant colour being cream and dove grey.

There was a special plug for the King's electric razor and a wireless set with complete list of Empire shortwave broadcasts.

Their Majesties dined quietly to-night with members of the Royal suite and afterwards they listened to a concert of classical music and all aboard settled down to what promised to be one of the happiest of voyages, begun under perfect auspices.

Earlier in the day, Their Majesties had watched the Atlantic Fleet's farewell from the Bridge of the ship. The Queen wore dark spectacles as a protection against the bright evening sun, while the King used his field glasses.

As the great liner passed, the cheers of the ratings manning the watches could be clearly heard and the band of the battleship Rodney played the National Anthem.

As the liner left the Atlantic Fleet about 6.30 p.m., speed was increased to 17 knots, which will be maintained throughout the night.

The escorting vessels H.M.S. Glasgow and H.M.S. Southampton are on either side of the liner and H.M.S. Repulse follows astern.—Reuter.

AMERICAN WELCOME

London, May 5. When Their Majesties visit Washington they will be formally met by President and Mrs. Roosevelt, members of the Cabinet, diplomats and Congressmen.

There will be a ceremonial procession escorted by cavalry, armoured cars and 30 tanks to the White House, where Their Majesties will be guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt during their stay.—Reuter.

WARSHIP'S TOUR

London, May 6. The escorting warships, H.M.S. Southampton and H.M.S. Glasgow will be at Quebec from May 15 to 19, at New York from May 23 to 31, at Halifax from June 9 to 15 and at Conception Bay on June 17, arriving back in the United Kingdom on June 22. H.M.S. Southampton will be at Boston from June 1 to 6, and H.M.S. Glasgow will be at St. John's, New Brunswick, from June 2 to 8.—British Wireless.

Leith-Ross Ends Talks In Bucharest

Bucharest, May 7. Before Sir Frederic Leith-Ross, economic adviser to the British Government, goes to Athens on Tuesday, it is expected that a memorandum will be initiated embodying the points of agreement reached between the British Economic Delegation and Rumania.

It is understood that a permanent mixed committee will be established to deal with the practical working of the new payments' agreement and to co-operate with national and private interests on both sides to increase Anglo-Rumanian trade.

British credit, it is understood, of £5,000,000 will be given mainly to purchase arms and for capital enterprises, like the construction of silos. Repayment will be partly through increased takings of wheat and oil by Britain. In order to aid the wheat trade in Rumania, minimum price regulations will be abolished and freight charges will be reduced, while the oil laws will be amended with a view to encouraging foreign oil companies to invest capital.—Reuter Special.

WRESTLER ALSO ART EXPERT

PHILADELPHIA. Dr. J. Lloyd Bohn, wrestling coach at Temple University, won't be lost for occupation when the grappling season ends. Aside from his mat activities, Coach Bohn, a doctor of philosophy, has constant calls for his services in X-ray art works to uncover forgeries.

The Whole Of Europe Anxiously Awaits The New Move

BOTH MUSSOLINI AND THE POPE SEEK SETTLEMENT BASIS

The speech of the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, has had favourable repercussions in most of the capitals of Europe, even Italy agreeing with its moderate tone and hinting that while the Axis remains as firmly welded as ever, it should be possible for Germany and Poland to find a common and peaceful basis of settlement.

A new factor in the political landscape is the appearance of Papal intervention and the promise of a broadcast speech to the Eucharistic Congress at Algiers that will indicate Pope Pius XII's desire that war should be prevented. An emissary of His Holiness had important conversations at Berlin which aim also at establishing more workable relations with the Reich.

German opinion has not found official expression yet but newspaper reactions show a disinclination to fall in line with Polish reasoning and play instead upon alleged atrocities against Reich compatriots in Poland and the number of refugees who are fleeing from that country.

Brighton, May 6. Mr. Anthony Eden, addressing the Rotary International Conference, referred to Mr. Beck's speech as "a remarkable speech which might well serve as a model for statesmen, both for firmness and moderation."

"Among the services that the speech rendered, was to lay so much emphasis on the determination to defend certain basic principles in the conduct of international life. It is not a question of morality, only, but the most plain practical politics," said Mr. Eden.

"Our first need is to return to good faith between nations. Without it, international society, like human society, can only drift towards ever-widening confusion. That is the view I have held for a long time and it seemed to me to be a valuable contribution of Mr. Beck's speech, not merely because we, as a people, admittedly hold a position of some advantage in the balance of world goods or that we have had more than enough of gangster tactics.

"If we oppose the methods of 'snatch and run' it is because this practice among nations puts a halt to progress in every sphere. As British people, there is scarcely any material price we would not pay that might not become as antiquated as duelling to be hung up as being quite out of the question."

"Whatever success attended the gospel of Machiavelli up to date, its scope is now clearly limited; a warning has been uttered and precautions taken. Let there be no mistake, we now know that the world can only keep peace if the rulers learn, like language, to practice the same philosophy and keep open faith."—United Press.

GERMAN OBJECTIONS

Berlin, May 6. It is understood that Hitler would like some indication of British and American reaction before issuing any himself.

Nazi political quarters take exception to four points in Col. Beck's speech.

Firstly, they stress the right of self-determination of Danzig.

Secondly, they reject the general European interest in Polish rights in Danzig because the city is at the mouth of the Vistula.

Thirdly, they maintain that the German-Polish Pact restricted freedom in joining "combinations inimical towards one of the partners."

Fourthly, they express surprise at Col. Beck's statement that the German proposals had not been transmitted to him in full.—Reuter.

MARCH AGAINST RUSSIA

Paris, May 6. It is suggested here that some references in Col. Beck's speech relate to earlier German suggestions that Poland and Germany should march together against Russia.

Poland rejected these suggestions, fearing that such a war would end only by leaving her with diminished territory and surrounded by a formidable Germany.—Reuter.

CABINET CONVENED

Paris, May 6. The French Cabinet convened today to hear the Foreign Minister's report on the study of Colonel Beck's speech. A declaration will be made in the French parliament on May 11 outlining the French position.—United Press.

ITALIANS TEMPORISE

Rome, May 6. Newspapers here agree that Beck's speech paves the way for negotiations and make no attempt to criticise his arguments. The Messaggero writes: "The line adopted by Beck is such that a solution may be expected capable of guaranteeing peace and, with peace, respect for the rights and aspirations of the two peoples."—Reuter.

TIME LIMIT SET

Berlin, May 6. Well informed circles claim that the moderate tone of certain Italian newspapers in regard to Colonel Beck's speech does not in any way signify that there are Italo-German differences in regard to Poland.

To the contrary, it is affirmed that Italy has already told Poland that, in case of conflict, Italy will be on the side of Germany.

The same quarters emphasized this afternoon that there is a time limit for Poland to change her present attitude; namely, the end of Ribbentrop's and Goering's visits to

Italy and their return to Berlin.—United Press.

AMBASSADOR'S RETURN

Warsaw, May 6. "It is now for Germany to speak," writes the Dobrywiecor newspaper.

The world agreed that Berlin should furnish the proofs if an understanding with Poland was really desired and she has now to choose between two roads, one of which is peace."

The Conservative newspaper Czas thinks that the return to Warsaw yesterday of the German ambassador Herr von Moltke, means that further German suggestions are to be expected.

The Plenary Session of the Chamber is called for Tuesday to debate the President's special powers to promulgate decrees for financing defence. The Senate holds its Plenary Session on Thursday.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT POWERS

Warsaw, May 6. The Polish Government will be given full powers in a bill to be passed on Tuesday.

To-day the lower house approved both the Jewish and the Ukrainian delegates gave it their blessing.—Reuter.

STUDENTS COMPLAIN

Gdynia, May 6. The trouble at the Danzig Polytechnic which caused anti-German riots earlier this year, was renewed with the start of the new term. The Polish students complain that their grievances have not yet been remedied and they have decided to boycott their lectures.—Reuter.

FRONTIER ALARMS

Paris, May 6. Latest information received here in regard to troop movements in Germany is that there has been an accumulation of troops near the Polish frontier.

It is stated that certain military precautions have been taken, but the concentrations of troops is not of such numbers as to suggest an imminent attack on Poland.

Great significance, however, attached to the fact that military measures have been taken in Slovakia, which is close to the industrial centres of Poland.

Reports current to-day are that the partition of Danzig between Hungary and Germany will be discussed between Herr von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano.—Reuter.

MOB TERRORISM CHARGE

Berlin, May 6. German refugees from Polish "persecution" are fleeing across the frontier into Germany in a steadily increasing flow, according to the Berlin press, which hurls sharp accusations against the Polish Government.

A news agency says a camp has now been established at Marienwerder where the refugees will stay for a few days until employment is found for them in East Prussia. The source adds that, during April, 261 men and women accompanied by children arrived from Poland in this district and a further 100 adults and 100 children have arrived since April 28 when the Fuehrer made his Reichstag speech. Refugees are also arriving in the Stuhm district near Danzig.

The Berlin newspapers alleged that armed Polish mobs have been carrying out assaults and acts of mob terrorism systematically prepared by Polish quarters.—Reuter.

The Diplomatische Korrespondenz indicates that the Polish question and the countermeasures to "encirclement" have been a feature of the Ciano-Ribbentrop talks in Milan. The impression persists in foreign circles that Germany is inviting Mussolini to mediate in the Germano-Polish dispute.—Reuter.

DANZIG LEADERS' TALK

Berlin, May 6. No decisions of importance are expected regarding Danzig at present; but according to political circles, where there is talk of a plebiscite, it must be left to the population in Danzig to decide whether they want to return to the Reich or to remain a Free State.

Well informed quarters state that Hitler yesterday conferred with Herr Goelzer, President of the Danzig Senate, and Herr Foerster, Nazi Regional Leader, as a result of which Herr von Ribbentrop takes with him to Milan full knowledge of the Danzig leaders' and Hitler's instructions.—Reuter.

FLIMSY WAR PRETEXT

London, May 6. London does not attempt to belittle the dangers of the situation

SOVIET ALLIANCE: CRITICAL STAGE

London, May 6. It has been officially disclosed that the new British proposal, aimed at bringing Russia into the Anglo-French security front, has been delayed because of the "necessity for further consideration," but it will be sent shortly although it was previously understood that it had already been sent to Sir William Seeds at Moscow.

Mr. Chamberlain is personally changing and re-drafting the note which originally left the door open for an eventual military aid pact without accepting the Russian proposal for a mutual aid pact.

Government quarters have indicated that the reply in its final form is likely to be an offer of a compromise. It is suggested that Britain will still propose that Russia should unilaterally extend a promise of support to victims of aggression in East Europe, which would become operative only after Britain and France have given armed help to such victims.

It is understood that the reply, as contemplated, will re-open the possibility of a tri-power military alliance, after an agreement has been reached on the aforementioned plan.—United Press.

FRENCH DISAPPOINTMENT

London, May 7. Diplomatic correspondents and editorialists in the Sunday papers, in giving prominence to the Anglo-Soviet negotiations, mostly believe that a critical stage has been reached.

It seems to be generally agreed that the British Government wishes to confine the agreement to a pledge by the Soviet to aid her Baltic and Balkan neighbours if attacked, while the Soviet urges a military pact between the Soviet, Britain and France, to which the smaller Powers both in Eastern and Western Europe would be likely to adhere.

The Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent says that unless Russia is prepared to compromise there is danger that the talks may break down. The final conclusion of an Anglo-Turkish pact is dependent upon the course of Anglo-Russian negotiations.

The diplomatic correspondent of the Observer says that Russia has been urging that the small States are waiting to be convinced that "the peace bloc is businesslike and trustworthy, and that nothing short of a full military alliance of the three Powers will convince them, and that if the Powers hesitate they may find themselves presented with another fait accompli."

The main difficulty, the correspondent continues, is that a formal military alliance might appear to justify the German cry of encirclement and thus precipitate the crisis which the alliance is destined to prevent, while Russia argues that stopping short of a full alliance may precipitate danger. Thus it cannot be disguised that a clear issue in tactics is involved.

The Observer in an editorial says that having begun the process of constituting a peace bloc, the British Government must now answer the question, "Can a half measure be effective?"—Reuter.

PRESS OPINIONS

Paris, May 6. Officialdom here is greatly disappointed at Britain's rejection of the Russian proposal for a military alliance against Hitler which would have revived the triple alliance against totalitarian expansionism.

Meanwhile France has reiterated her bilateral Franco-Russian mutual aid pact of 1935.

It is understood that Moscow has informed France that Russian policies envisage no isolationism of Russo-German rapprochement.

To-day's Cabinet meeting surveyed the foreign outlook, particularly the German-Polish crisis, Mr. Litvinov's resignation and the reported presence of German military technicians in Northern Italy.

In the French viewpoint, Britain's rejection of a military alliance with Russia does not imply the failure of the Anglo-French efforts to reach a working agreement for the guarantee of the territorial integrity of the States bordering Germany.—United Press.

Around Danzig territory, says the Daily Telegraph, but British circles note that the wisdom of precipitating a European war on this flimsy pretext is now the subject of discussion between Germany and Italy.

A violent solution is unlikely to be sought immediately.—Reuter.

APPEAL TO HITLER

Rome, May 6. It is reported that Canon Orsenigo, Canon of Milan, has visited Hitler in

Manila Shaken By Tremors

Manila, May 7. Saturday night festivities were dampened at 1.01 a.m. when Manila was rocked by intermittent earth tremors for 20 seconds.

The shocks are said to be the severest since August 1937. Sleepers were aroused and many ran out into the streets. There were no casualties here.—Reuter.

Severe Raid On Swatow

Swatow, May 6. Eight Japanese planes continued bombing and machine-gunning Swatow this morning 400 yards east of the United States Consulate. The objective was apparently Chinese military headquarters.

Many bombs fell close to foreign property at the Socony installation. Casualties as yet are unknown.—Reuter.

Central News adds that in Swatow 100 casualties were caused by the raid and tens of houses wrecked.

JAPANESE VERSION

Shanghai, May 7. Japanese naval aircraft on Friday raided Swatow bombing military depots.

On Thursday, naval air units carried out three bombing attacks in Fukien and Kwangtung. Raiding Chaochow, the northern terminus of the railway from Swatow, the Japanese aircraft bombed military freight cars near the station.

Chuanchow to the north of Amoy was also attacked on Thursday. The Magistrate's office and various military establishments were bombed.—Central News.

HOUSES DEMOLISHED

Chuanchow, Fukien, May 6. Chuanchow was twice bombed by a lone Japanese plane at 7 o'clock and 12 o'clock yesterday. About forty houses were destroyed.

Several Japanese naval vessels off Hweilan on the southern Fukien coast steamed away yesterday.—Domest.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE

Swatow, May 7. During the terrific bombing on this port by 11 Japanese planes on May 4, 17 bombs were dumped, demolishing two shipyards, two food factories, and one match factory. Fifty casualties resulted, seven of whom took refuge in a haystack, which was machine-gunned.

Sixteen empty cars of a train on the Chaochow-Swatow Railway were also smashed by 11 bombs.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

KOMING MASS ATTACK

Shiuhing, Kwangtung, May 7. A mass attack was made on Koming by 22 Japanese planes yesterday morning, dumping over 100 explosives. Heavy damage and casualties were caused.

Twenty-three other Japanese machines meanwhile reconnoitred Shiuhing, Kulo, Halakung and Mahow, and machine-gunned the civilians.

THREE HUPEH ATTACKS

Shiangyang, Hupeh, May 7. Fancheng, on the north bank of the Han River, opposite Shiangyang, was twice raided yesterday by Japanese planes.

Five machines visited the town at noon, dumping 20 bombs. Five planes came in the afternoon, raiding when over 30 bombs were released. Laohokow, 115 miles, north-west Chungshang, was attacked by five planes at noon.

A Japanese heavy bomber, flying low, was shot down by Chinese soldiers with rifles at Wangchientien, north Hupeh, on Friday.—Central News.

NANCHENG RAIDED

Sian, May 7. Twelve Japanese warplanes staged another raid on Nancheng (Hanchung) on the upper reaches of the Han River, 190 miles south-west of Sian, yesterday afternoon. They inflicted some 150 casualties and wrecked 100 houses, dropping 101 bombs.—Central News.

Boy Collects Snakes

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. The hobby of Paul H. Stevens, 15-year-old high school student, is collecting live snakes—and is housing them in a bureau drawer in his bedroom. His ambition is to own a boa constrictor.

connection with the European crisis, but it cannot be confirmed whether he carried a definite proposal or merely an appeal for moderation on both sides in the Polish-German differences.—United Press.

MONTH OF PRAYER

Vatican City, May 7. In a broadcast to the Eucharistic National Conference at Algiers, the Pope made a brief reference to the peace so ardently desired by anxious humanity.

His Holiness urged that the month of May should be entirely devoted to universal prayer in honour that there should descend from heaven to earth by the hands of the Immaculate Virgin that peace promised to all men if goodwill, peace in souls troubled by the calls and seductions of false doctrines, and peace between nations shuddering in unceasing anxiety.—Reuter.



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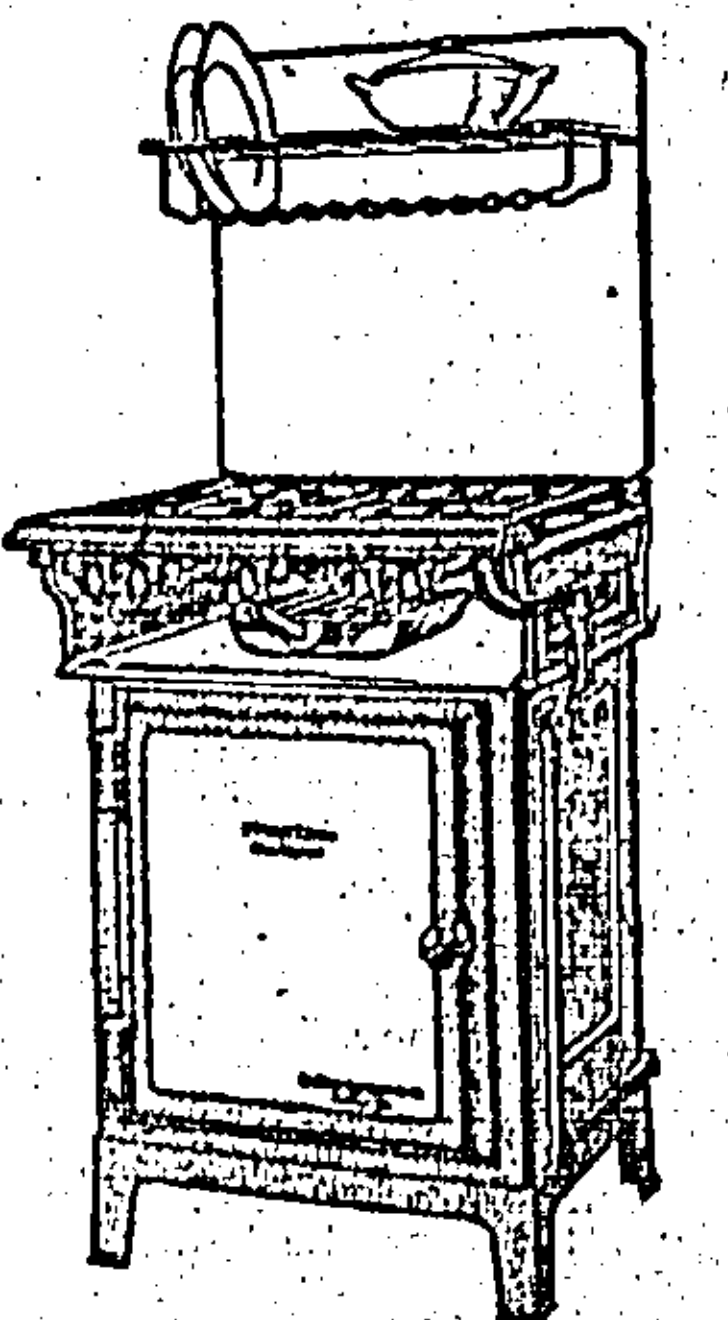
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SERVICES DEFEATED BY CIVILIANS

CLOSING MATCH OF THE PRESENT HOCKEY SEASON

Winners Thoroughly Deserve Victory

(By "The Pillar")

In the last game of the local hockey season, the Civilians defeated the Services by two goals to nil in a fast and close struggle on the Club ground yesterday. The winners scored once in each half.

The initial attacking was done by the Civilians and after ten minutes' pressure, off a long corner hit, G. H. Fowler received the ball and cracked a perfect centre to G. Singh who, in the twinkling of an eye, had flicked the ball past Osman. This was a nice move and thoroughly deserved a goal.

The Civilians were back again with some strong attacking but Osman dashed out on several occasions to make good clearances from Wall and G. Singh. Except for two or three runs made by the Services, the Civilians hoves and forwards got right into full stride and penned their opponents in their own half for the remaining 25 minutes.

During this half, the Civilian intermediates played a fine constructive game. E. Fowler, W. A. Reed and R. J. Reed gave of their best. R. J. Reed, at left half, was really sound; he held a watching brief on Gemmel, the Services' inside right. W. A. Reed, the pivot, was intelligent and seldom did he send the ball away to his forwards without a mission.

SECOND HALF

In the last half, the first point of note was Pritam Nath going through, but he was tackled by R. Xavier in time. Again the Services returned to the attack when a shot from Gemmel was cleared into touch by Souza. Two rapid short corners were forced by the Services in quick succession, but U. B. Souza in turn cleared magnificently from the expert Datta Ram. Then after 20 minutes' play came the Civilians' second goal.

S. A. Fowler sped away down the right wing and sent in a perfect centre. Wall took possession and tested Osman, but S. A. Fowler, dashing up rapidly, hit the ball and hit it past the keeper after a partial clearance had been made.

Near the end, the Services attacked strongly but the Civilian forwards returned the compliment, and only

Combined Schoolboys Defeat D.G.S.

Prior to the Civilian-Services game on the same ground, the Combined Schoolboys defeated the D.G.S. by five goals to nil. Playing only ten, the boys were too fast for the girls and scored through G. Singh, K. Singh (2), P. Rull and R. Castro.

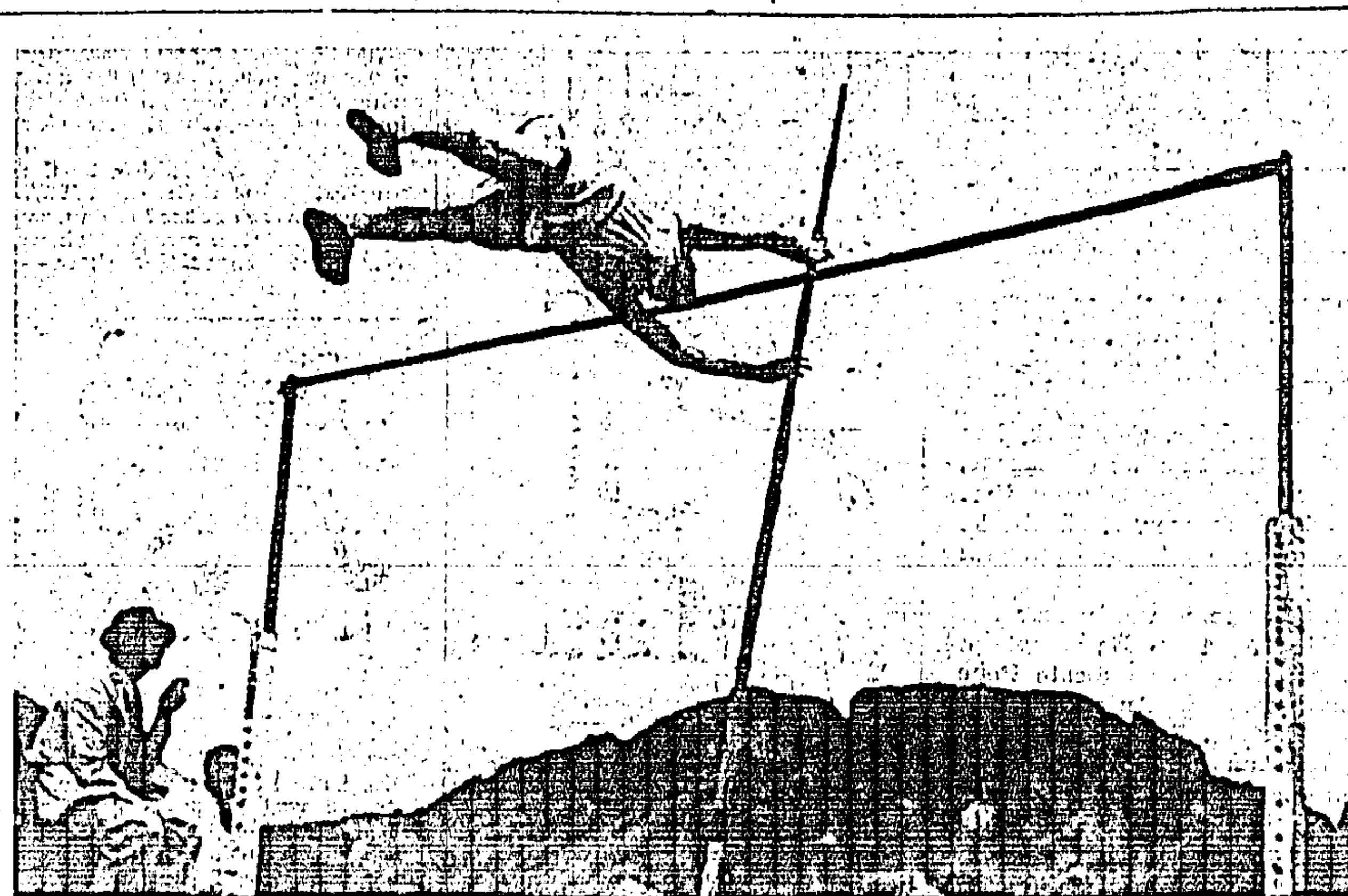
erratic shooting by both sides spoiled good efforts.

The Civilian inside trio of G. Singh, H. Fowler and Pyram worked well together and never hesitated to shoot at once when on the edge of the circle. Their wingers, S. A. Fowler and J. Wall, rendered splendid support. Bond and R. Xavier, the backs, were sound. The latter, who relieved Guest, was in good form and backed up his partner strongly.

SERVICES' ATTACK FAILS

I attribute the Services' defeat to the failure of their attack, where good combination was lacking. The forwards, Gemmel, Pritam Nath and Neralin seemed strangely out of gear. Dillnot was the best wing half and though Hook worked hard he was not his usual self at centre-half. There was little to choose between Carr and Datta Ram but Osman in goal gave his usual brilliant display.

Despite the intense heat, a fast pace was maintained. The Civilians proved themselves a better combination than the Services and deserved their victory.



A splendid action picture of the pole-vault event at the Hongkong Area athletic meeting held on the Polo Ground in Boundary Street last week. This competitor has cleared his mark with ease.—Staff Photo.

LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE STARTS WITH U.B. BEATING RECREIO

Race Won By Broken Necks At Sandown Remarkable Case In Turf History

London.

An amateur steeplechase jockey, Captain Peter Herbert, who broke his neck racing at Leicester last year, won the last race at the National Hunt meeting at Sandown Park on Henry's Choice, the horse that broke his neck at Liverpool three years ago.

Captain Herbert, a Life Guards officer, said: "You might almost call it a win for surgery by a neck. There were some who said neither of us would race again. Well, we showed them they were wrong."

After his accident at Liverpool, it was thought that Henry's Choice would have to be shot. As an experiment, a veterinary surgeon set the horse's neck in plaster.

The neck gradually mended and Henry's Choice came back to the turf. It was one of the most remarkable recoveries in the history of racing.

Consul General of the United States of America, Mr. Addison E. Southard, tossed the first ball on Saturday afternoon to start the baseball season rolling, when Union Brewery thumped Club de Recreio, 8-4. The grandstand was packed to capacity, and many of the ardent local fans were in attendance, including Major V. E. Duclos, President of the Hongkong Baseball League; Sir Shouson Chow; and Johnny Mayhew, whose presence helped tremendously to enliven the proceedings.

Although they outthrew the Brewers by three safeties, the Rambling Rees couldn't make them count. The score was knotted at two innings before Chet Bennett's U. B. squad took a 5 to 3 lead, and kept it thereafter.

In the third canto, with two away, rookie shortstop Alves of the Rambling Rees pulled the "hidden ball" trick on the Brewers. Coming in the opening game of the season, it was the cause for much merriment among the wolves. Stan Leonard, who had reached second on a double, was wandering off his base during an argument centered at third base. Alert Alves tagged him before he Staffordshire in the Minor Counties Championship. He is the son of a former Warwickshire fast bowler.

GROUND RULES EXPLAINED

Ground rules came in for a lot of panning in this tussle. I don't think any of the teams has them straight yet. A hit to the rightfield bank without touching the ground, before it reaches said bank, means a three-bagger. A line rolling onto the bank only calls for a double. At left field when a batted ball rolls through the fence, or is stopped at the fence, means a triple, while a ball over the fence is a homer.

Madden Arculli was the hero of the game. Not satisfied with a perfect batting average of three safeties in three times up, he brought in three of his mates on a double and two bingles, and fanned five without issuing an Annie Oakley. Even Hal Wingie made a hit that day!

The only hook that moundsman Spotty Pereira had was used throughout the game, and he fanned five in the grand manner, making monkeys out of Terry Leonard, 2, Hussein, Stan Leonard and Hal Wingie. If Pereira had had better support behind the plate, there might have been a different ending to the game. Catcher Al Alvares, brother of Johnny Alvares, hasn't been seen in action for quite a few years and seemed a bit rusty. Recreio certainly missed V. Gosano, Nick Beltrac and Eddie Gosano. For some unknown reason, Eddie, although out at the game, did not don a Recreio uniform. They needed him out there!

YESTERDAY'S GAME

Although a double-header was slated for yesterday's card only one tilt was played. Making their seven hit count, Mindanao romped home an easy winner over the Chinese 6 to 4, behind an early lead.

The Chinese couldn't get started, and six batters were checked up to them for Earl Wong to lose a heart-breaker. Earl whiffed nine Mindanao

batters: "Paintpot" Thomas 2, "No-gravy" Dew 2, "Poochie" Ching, "Horseface" Douglas 2 and "Hill Jumper" Wilson 2, for a splendid mound performance.

"Crooner" Ruel didn't show so much fancy stuff yesterday, but he played heady ball, taking nine chances with nary a fumble, and fanned two.

Third sacker Charlie Horton, who almost had to slay away from playing ball this season, welded the heaviest stick work for his gang of sailors, with two doubles and a single in three times up, and bringing in two.

However, hurler Earl Wong in his second year under fire on the mound, contributed a triple, a double and a bingle in three times at bat for a perfect 1,000 percentage

One Major Upset In Lawn Bowls League Matches

(By "Abe")

After the dismal weather we had had the past three Saturdays, it was indeed pleasing to see the sky clear up on Saturday and thus allow the Hongkong Lawn Bowls League to get going. Most local bowlers have had their recent practices on heavy greens, and the "fiery" nature of most grounds last Saturday must have put a number of players off their stride.

During the afternoon a full programme of matches was held, and in each division of the League. When the sky cleared the weather became so hot that it was a relief to all that matches now start at 4 p.m. instead of 3.30.

Major Upset

MOST of the matches ended more or less according to expectations. The only major upset was in the First Division where the Indian R.C., visiting the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, took both points by a margin of 12 shots. The result was one which few would have expected, least of all by the Indians themselves, who had never won before at Austin Road. But the victory was well-deserved, as the visitors won nothing if not consistent—each player scored 12 shots! Both A. R. Dallab and M. B. Abbas won their games, while A. K. Minu and Adam Holland tied. The peculiar part about this was that at tea-time, which was taken after the eighth head, Minu was the only one of the Indian side to be leading. He was then 13-5 ahead of Holland, while Dallab was trailing "Bob" Duncan 7-9, and Abbas was 6-7 behind W. Macfarlane. Minu, however, failed to maintain his advantage and allowed Holland to score ten shots from the 12th to the 15th heads, and though he led again at 21-17, only a single on the 21st head enabled him to tie the match. Macfarlane did not always have the best of luck with his shots in his match against Abbas and ended up ten shots behind while Duncan, after leading 10-10 on the 14th, never scored again. Dallab ended up six shots to the good.

Recreio "A" Win

WHILE their victory over the Police R.C. at Happy Valley was more or less expected, I did not think that the Recreio "A" last year's champions, would be able to have 22 shots to spare. The Police green is one on which most visitors take a bit of time to settle down, but peculiarly enough at the three fourteenth rinks scored on the first two ends. A six on the fifth, followed immediately by a three and a couple, enabled F. X. M. da Silva to take a lead of 13-2 on the seventh head against J. Orem's four. At the 10th, Spuggys was 17-4 in the lead, but Orem made quite a good recovery and was only four down in the end. But for a spell of scoring from the 10th to the 19th heads, Wally Mair would have been in a bad way indeed against "Dick" Alves, who led 22-0 on the 15th. Mair obtained eight shots in these four heads, and with Alves taking two threes, "Wally" finished up 17 shots behind. The fight between A. E. Carey and Carlos Silva was a very even one. In fact after the first two heads, when he gave away a three and a two, Carey came back with a four and a five to lead 9-5, and chased in two of his mates.

The Chinese used two bushers in Den Cray at third, and Ray Chang at right. Neither has ever before played in a league game, but they have the makings of real ball players.



The local baseball season commenced on Saturday when the Union Brewery outfit defeated the Club de Recreio in the opening game by 8-4. Picture shows an attempt to catch Mindanao napping at third.—Staff Photo.

Weak Recreio "B"

A COUPLE of weeks ago, in writing about the Recreio "B", who have been promoted to the First Division as the result of their success in the Second Division last year, I expressed the view that the team looked a bit weak. This impression seems to have been confirmed by their defeat on their home green by the Kowloon C.C., who won by no fewer than 25 shots. Furthermore, the visitors did not appear to be particularly formidable, yet the result was never in doubt. Both "Teddy" Fincher and E. Kern had established comfortable leads over J. Basso and E. Basso after the first ten heads or so, but E. X. Soares, after a good recovery against Frank Goodwin, was somewhat unlucky to be beaten by three shots. Fincher led "J. J." 12-2 on the ninth and 17-3 on the 14th, eventually winning by 23-14; while Kern, who led E. Basso 14-5 on the 11th, finally won by 25-13. With a three on the 10th, Soares actually led Goodwin by 10-18, but he lost a two on each of the last two heads.

Comfortable Victory

THE Craighower C.C., strengthened by the return of Charlie Rosset to the team, visited Kowloon Dock R.C. and won by 34 shots—which represented the biggest win of the day. The Happy Valley rinks, led by the three old stalwarts, U. M. Omar, H. W. Bradbury and R. Basso, were far too well-balanced to be in danger of defeat. The visitors seemed to like the fast Kowloon Dock green and settled down to it very quickly. The Craighower C.C. men got home in a canter, so to speak.

Normal Scoring

SCORES during the afternoon were kept within reasonable proportions. There was nothing sensational, no sevens or eights being recorded. There were three sixes, however, (1) by F. X. M. da Silva's link against J. Orem's four on the fifth head; (2) by T. W. Carr's rink against R. H. Wild's quartette on the last head; and (3) by W. H. B. Muskett's four against C. Champelovier's rink on the second head. Numerous fives and fours were registered.

Tennis

BROTHERS TO FIGHT IT OUT

(By "Abe")

Even though a great deal of the interest has probably been taken away by the fact that two brothers are in opposition, some good tennis should be seen on the stand out of the Hongkong C.C. this afternoon when Tsui Wai-pui (holder) meets his younger brother, Tsui Yun-pui, in the final of the Colony tennis singles championship.

When the draw was announced at the start of the tournament, it was realised that the two brothers would probably meet in the final. Expectations thus have been fulfilled. The champion has had a few tough matches, but has proved himself to be head and shoulders above anybody he has met so far; on the other hand, the young Tsui has had a comparative easy passage into the final.

The following is how the brothers reached the final:

Tsui Wai-pui—1st round, received walk-over from G. W. Sewell; 2nd round, beat Chan Chi-keung 6-0, 7-5; 3rd round, beat Wong Shu-wing 6-3, 6-2; 4th round, beat H. D. Rumjahn 3-6, 6-3, 6-1; semi-finals, beat S. A. Rumjahn 6-7, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Tsui Yun-pui—1st round, beat Wan Tze-nam 6-1, 6-1; 2nd round, beat T. J. Gould 7-5, 6-1; 3rd round, beat A. Crawford 6-3, 6-8, 6-4; 4th round, beat Ho Ka-lau 7-5, 6-0; semi-finals, beat Lee Wai-tong 6-4, 6-2, 12-10.

In his striking, young Tsui in many respects is as good as his brother. He is less "flashy" but more solid in some of his shots. His temperament, however, does not compare favourably with that of the Davis Cupper, especially when the scores are tight. The chances are that the elder Tsui will retain his title, but he will probably find himself fully extended.

Football

Eastern Team Defeat Macao By Odd Goal

Considering the lateness of the season and the heat, good football was produced by the Eastern F.C. and Macao when the two teams met on the Club ground yesterday. The Hongkong team, due to a livelier forward line, emerged victorious by the odd goal in three after leading by 2-0 at one stage of the game.

The defences on both sides played well, but whereas the Eastern halves found time to help their forwards, the Macao defenders had all their work cut out to stop the Eastern attack, and herein lay the reason for Eastern's victory.

Hsu King-shing, at centre-half for the local side, was a tower of strength in the middle of the field and piled his forwards with many useful passes. Lee Tack-kee and Ng Ki-ching were causing the Macao defence a great deal of worry by their hustling tactics, but for the most part, the visiting defenders proved worthy of the occasion.

Alex Alosa, the Macao pivot, performed a great deal of useful work, while Lam Sau-lan and Lobato, the backs, were very reliable. In the forward line, the two players who caught the eye were Collaco and Gurriero.

Ng Ki-ching gave Eastern the lead in the first half, shortly after the resumption, Chan Man-chi increased this lead from a corner kick.

Gurriero reduced the deficit midway through the half, but though Macao got very close on several occasions they were unable to score the equalising goal.

Belgian Army Wins Kentish Cup

Brussels, May 7. The Belgian Army beat the British Army by six goals to nil today to win the Kentish Cup for the triangular soccer tournament.

The Belgians beat the French Army on goal average.—Reuters.

Gland Treatment For Footballers Disliked

London, Apr. 28.

The Conference of the Football League Clubs and the Management Committee are unanimous in their general opinion against the adoption of the practice of gland treatment. The Management Committee has requested the Conference to seek the highest medical advice on the subject.—Reuters.

German Wins Tripoli Grand Prix

Tripoli, May 7.

The famous German racer, Hermann Lang, driving a Mercedes-Benz, won the Tripoli Grand Prix today with an average speed of 107.700 kilometres per hour.

Caracciola, also driving a Mercedes-Benz, was second, and Villorci driving an Alfa-Romeo, was third.

The course was one of 30 laps of 8.14 miles each.—Reuters.

Warwickshire Signs On A New Bowler

Warwickshire have signed as a professional 28-year-old Fred Taylor, a right-hand medium-pace bowler who for the past two seasons assisted Staffordshire in the Minor Counties Championship. He is the son of a former Warwickshire fast bowler.

Hampshire County C.C. have appointed Mr. G. R. Taylor to captain their team in the coming season.

Mr. C. J. B. Wood, formerly captain of Leicestershire County C.C., has been appointed assistant-secretary to the club.

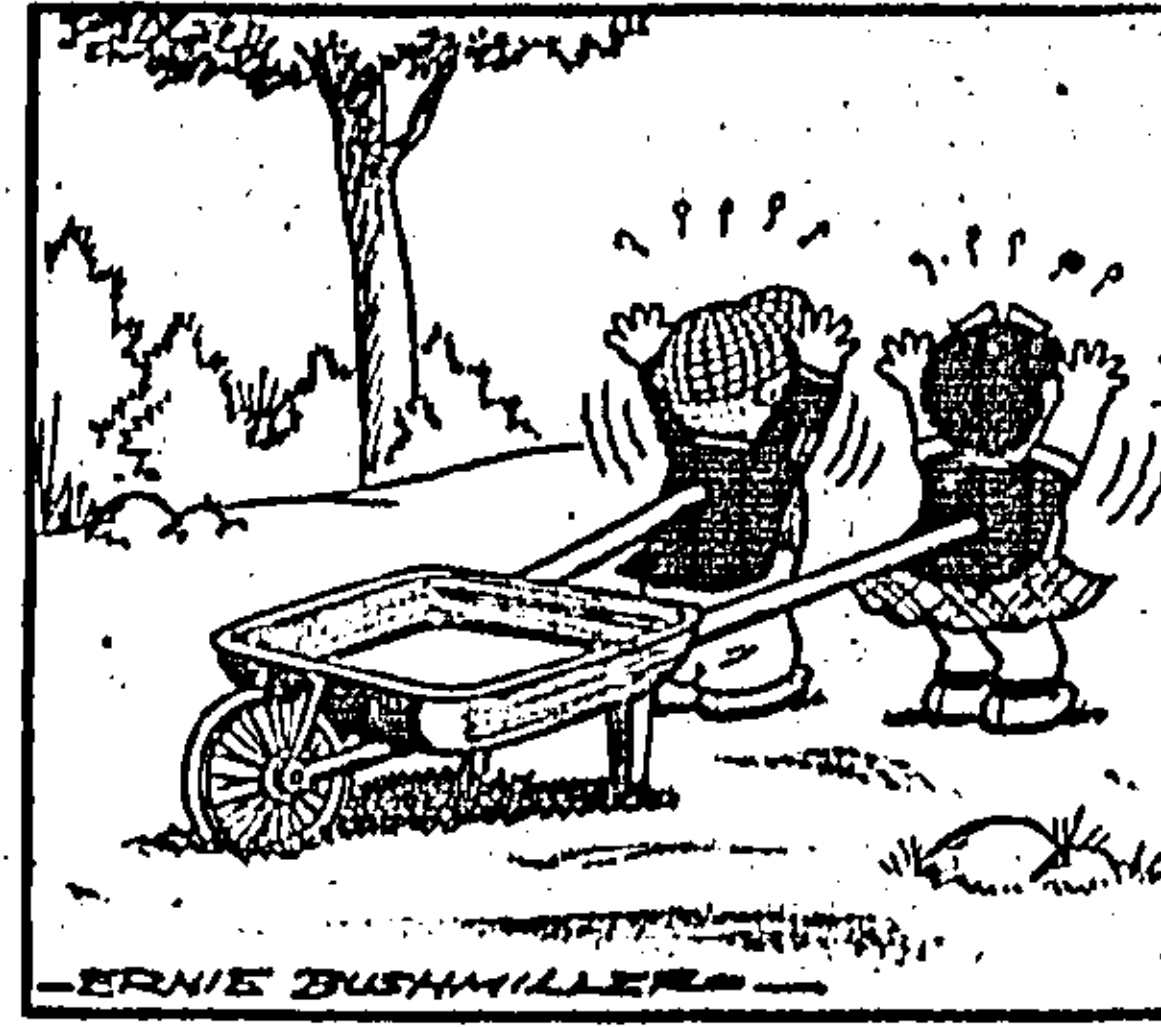
Japan Will Compete In Olympics

The opinion that Japan will compete in the 1940 Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland, was expressed by Mr. Avery Brundage, president of the American Olympic Committee and a member of the International Committee, when he passed through Hongkong by the Suwa Maru on Saturday.

Stress of the present trouble in China caused Japan to forego her right to be the venue of the 1940 Games, but Mr. Brundage said, talks in Japan convinced him that Japanese sportsmen were eager to take part. He expected that even if the present Far Eastern conditions still obtained, they would manage it.

Mr. Brundage, who is accompanied by his wife, is on his way to London to attend the yearly meeting of the International Committee, which, he said, will be mainly concerned with preparations for the 1940 Games. Never having seen the Orient, he and his wife chose to go to London by the longer route.

NANCY



European Zone Davis Cup Matches Begin

Germany, Yugo-Slavia, Poland and Hungary Win Their Matches

Germany, Poland, Hungary and Yugo-Slavia won their matches in the first round of the European Zone in the 1939 Davis Cup Competition which commenced over the week-end. Germany eliminated Switzerland by three matches to nil; Poland beat Holland 4-1; Hungary beat Rumania 3-2; and Yugo-Slavia defeated Ireland by three matches to nil.

GERMANS WIN

Vienna, May 7. Leading by two matches to nil at the conclusion of the singles day, Germany, represented by Henner Henkel and Georges Von Metaxa, won the doubles to-day against Switzerland, beating Manoff and Fischer by 6-2, 6-2, 6-4. The singles results were:—Roderick Murrell (Germany) beat Boris Manoff (Switzerland) 6-3, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2, 6-3; Henner Henkel (Germany) beat Hector Fischer 6-2, 2-6, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.—United Press.

Germany will now meet Poland in the second round of the European Zone.

HUNGARY THROUGH

Bucharest, May 7. Hungary eliminated Rumania by three matches to two, sharing the last two singles to-day.

At the end of yesterday's play, Hungary led by 2-1. In the singles on Friday, Gabory (Hungary) beat Schmidt (Rumania) by 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 2-6, with Gabory leading by 2-0 in the fifth set. Schmidt retired with an injured foot. Asboth (Hungary) put his country further in the lead by beating Caraulus (Rumania) in the second single by 6-1, 3-6, 6-7, 6-4, 6-2 to put his country on level terms. In the deciding match, Asboth (Hungary) beat Schmidt by 1-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-8, 6-3, thus giving Hungary a 3-2 win.—United Press.

Hungary will meet Yugo-Slavia in the second round.

POLAND WIN 4-1

Warsaw, May 7. Poland entered the second round by beating Holland by four matches to one. In the first two singles, Count Bayrowski beat Van Swol 9-7, 6-3, 6-0, and Tysinski beat Hughton 6-0, 6-2, 6-1.

After losing the doubles, Poland won the last two singles, and will now meet Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

THREE TO NIL

Belgrade, May 7. Leading by two matches to nil after the opening singles, Yugo-Slavia beat Ireland by three matches to nil and will now meet Hungary in the second round.

Mitch (Yugo-Slavia) beat Rogers (Ireland) by 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 3-6, 6-3, and Puncce (Yugo-Slavia) beat Egan (Ireland) 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.

In the doubles to-day, Puncce and Mitch beat Rogers and Egan 6-1, 6-4, 6-2.—United Press.

BRITISH HARD Courts

Kho Sin-kie Defeats W. C. Choy In Men's Singles Final

Bournemouth, May 6. The Men's Singles Final of the British Hardcourts championships to-day was an all-Chinese match. Kho Sin-kie beat W. C. Choy by 7-5, 6-1, 6-4. Choy led in the first set at 3-1 through errors on Kho Sin-kie's part, but Kho thereafter was magnificent, winning repeatedly on superior cross-court drives. Choy took the first game of the second set, but only after fourteen deuces had been called. Kho was most accurate with fast driving and completely outplayed his compatriot. Kho began the third set carelessly and lost several points, allowing Choy to lead at 2-1, and 3-2, but with a series of drives to the corners of the baseline, Kho drew level at 4-4. The latter then featured a display of dizzling shots and emerged on an easy winner.

Women's Singles Final. Miss Kathleen Stammers overcame Mrs. Ellis (formerly Senorita Anita Lizana) in the final of the women's singles by 6-2, 6-0. Women's Doubles Final. Miss Jean Nicholl and Miss Betty Nuthall beat Miss Nina Brown and

Miss Rita Jarvis by 5-7, 6-2, 6-2 in the final of the women's Doubles.

Men's Doubles Final

H. Billington and J. O'Hill beat the New Zealanders, D. Coombe and C. Malfroy, in the men's Doubles final by 8-6, 5-7, 6-4, 7-5.

Mixed Doubles Final

C. Malfroy and Miss Nuthall won the Mixed Doubles final, beating D. Butler and Miss Jean Nicholl 7-5, 6-2.—Reuter.

Baseball

NEW YORK OUTFITS SUCCEED

The following are the results of matches played in the Major Baseball League to-day:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	3	6	1
New York	10	10	3

(Hartnett homered for the Cubs)

St. Louis	1	6	0
Brooklyn	2	4	1
Cincinnati	13	10	2
Philadelphia	4	9	2

(McGinnis and Craft homered for the Reds and Brack for the Phillies)

Pittsburgh	9	14	1
Boston	2	6	1

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	15	19	0
Chicago	4	9	3

(Riffe and Gordon each homered twice for the Yankees)

Boston	3	7	2
St. Louis	6	11	1
Philadelphia	10	14	0
Detroit	3	9	1
Washington	7	13	3
Cleveland	8	13	3

—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued 12.30 p.m. Saturday, says:

A fair amount of business was transacted during the morning and, in most instances, at an advance on the opening quotations.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1,300
Canton Insurance \$225
Union Insurance \$440
Douglases \$97
H.K. & S. Wharves \$101
H.K. Docks \$163
Providents \$445
H. & S. Hotels \$54
H.K. Lands \$324
Humphreys \$74
H.K. Realities \$4.10
H.K. Tramways \$104
Star Ferries \$63
China Lights (Old) \$94
China Lights (New) \$54
H.K. Electric \$554
Macao Electric \$16.00
Santolan Lights \$12
Telephones (Old) \$224
Canton Ice \$1
Cementa \$124
Dairy Farms Ex Rts. \$204
Entertainments \$64
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 34% prem.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par
Marsmans (Old) 4/2

Sellers

Hongkong Bank \$1,385
Union Insurance \$4424
China Lights (New) \$54
Dairy Farms Ex Rts. 21.35
Santolan Lights \$12
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 34% prem.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par
Marsmans (Old) 4/2

ROGERS-ASTAIRE PROVE WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH A DECENT STORY

When Vernon Castle died in a plane crash in 1919, he wrote his life to the history of the Castle duo who danced their way across the carefree days before the World War.

But their achievement towards making the world a gay and happier place has been recorded in an RKO film in which their two dancing stars, Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, accurately relive the story of the Castles.

According to latest reports from Hollywood, Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers are parting, the former to team with Eleanor Powell in his next film.

This is indeed unfortunate as this famous dancing duo, as famous to-day as the Castles were before the War, have really done well in their latest picture which proves that given a decent story their films will always be popular.

In recent films, the Astaire-Rogers couple have been given light airy plots for their films, but in "The Life of Irene" and "Vernon Castle" viewed at the Queen's yesterday, the real life of the Castles is the plot for the film.

OVERNIGHT SENSATION

Irene Castle to-day is an attractive woman of 45 who acted as technical adviser for RKO's version of her dance life. She is now married to Major W. Frederic McLaughlin, a coffee magnate.

Irene Castle, nee Foote, was the stage-struck daughter of a New Rochelle doctor who met Vernon Castle, a struggling comedian, in 1911. After their marriage, they travelled to Paris where a job was waiting for them. On arrival, they discovered that they were not to dance together but Vernon alone was to appear in slapstick comedy. They rebelled and, down to their last centime, they nervously appeared in Cafe de Paris one evening in April 1913 to present their dance. The band struck up "Darktown Strutter's Ball" and this couple, slim and graceful, glided onto the floor. To this jazz song, they did a dance that had never been seen before. The dancers roared with delight. All Europe were soon flocking to see Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle, the new international sensation.

That was the beginning of a great dance craze that swept the world. Irene Castle revolutionised styles for women. She became the symbol of all that was "chic" in woman. She bobbed her hair, developed a streamlined silhouette, wore male riding boots, carried a lap-dog, and every woman in America imitated her.

During the War Vernon joined the Flying Corps and won the Croix de guerre for photographing German trenches. At that time, Irene appeared in a series of war films called "Patrol". Vernon was killed while instructing an air recruit at Fort Worth.

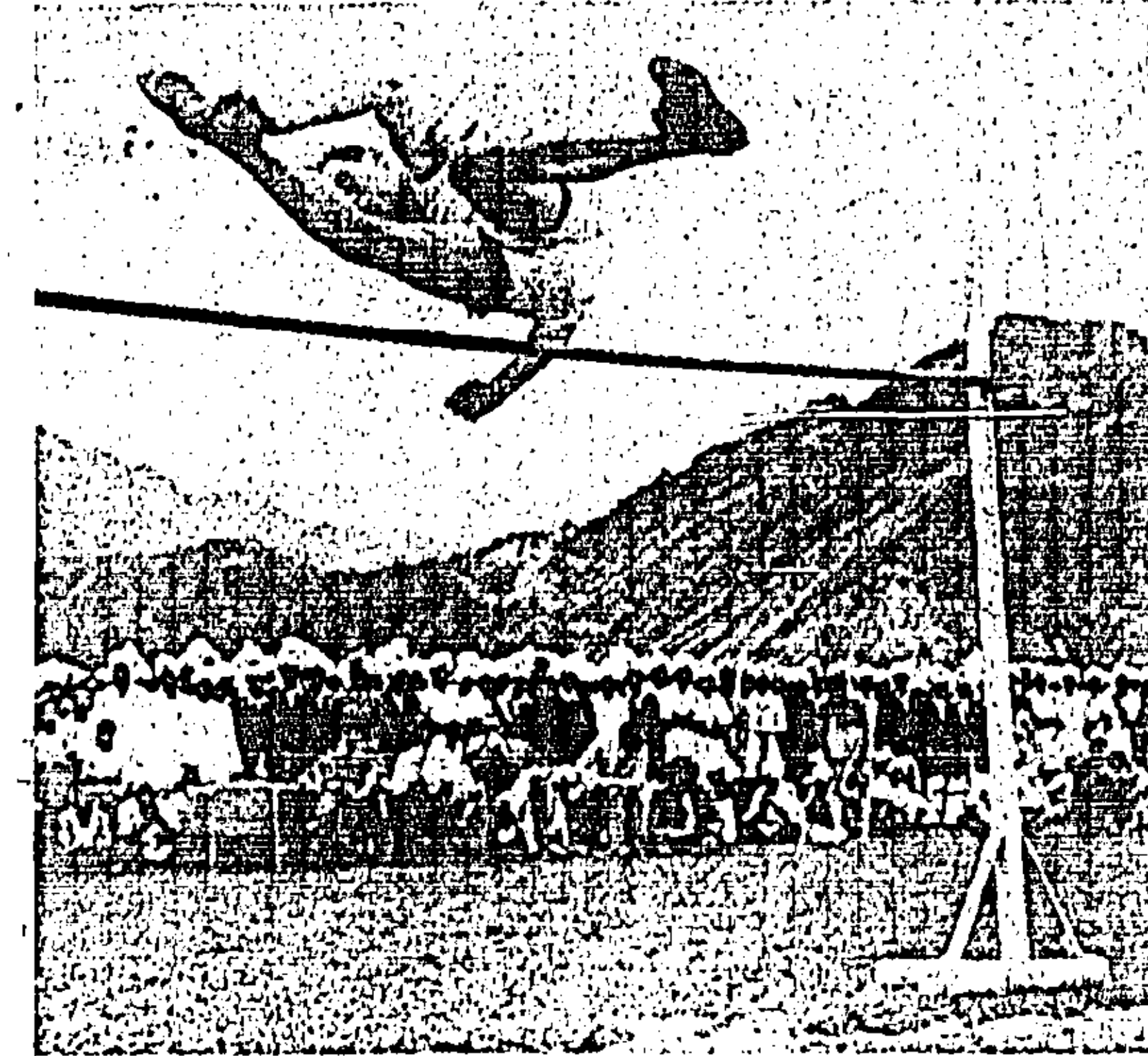
In the film, these facts are faithfully woven into the plot as Astaire and Rogers re-stage the Castle triumphs. A modern version of the "Dutch cap" bought with Vernon's last francs and worn the night the Castles scored their first triumph, is worn by Irene Rogers. Most of Irene Castle's gowns are also worn, in a modern version, by Ginger Rogers for this film.

"The Life of Irene and Vernon Castle" proves interesting and entertaining film fare. It is to be shown at the Queen's Theatre shortly. With this film is Walt Disney's cartoon featuring Goody and a new star, Wilbur the Grasshopper.

THIEF FLEES TROUSERLESS

Picture a thief getting his trousers caught in a door and to prevent capture, slipping out of them and fleeing. It actually happened, but police believe the "nudeless man" didn't lose any time in pilfering another pair, for they were notified the same night that someone had stolen a pair of trousers from a bedroom.

Providents \$4.50
H.K. Lands \$334
H.K. Tramways \$104/45
China Lights (Old) \$530
Dairy Farms Rights \$15
Antamoka Pa. 31
Benguet Consolidated Pa. 11.00
Coco Grove Pa. 324
Consolidated Mines Pa. .0025
I.X.L. Pa. 52
San. Mateo Pa. 1.00
United Paracale Pa. .50



Good style is revealed by this competitor in the high jump in the Hongkong Area athletic meeting held last week. He has cleared the bar with ease.—Staff Photographer.

Enjoyable Sports Day At Indian R.C.

Brilliant sunshine attracted a large gathering of members and their friends to the Indian Recreation Club, Sookunpoo, yesterday, when the annual sports meeting was held. The Pipe Band of the Hongkong and Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, by kind permission of Lt-Col. Taylor and Officers, rendered selections during the afternoon.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. C. Rubin. Prior to the prize distribution, Mr. A. el Arculli, President of the Club, thanked the Officer Commanding the H.K.S.R.A. for allowing the Band to play for them, Mr. Sirdar Rumjahn, the Hon. Treasurer, who had acted as Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Rahmin, the Hon. Sports Secretary for his efficient organisation; and Mr. A. R. Minu, for his help. There was little to say, he added, regarding the Club's sports activities during the past year. The Club's teams had not been too successful, but he was glad in a way, because "a licking would do us good and prevent us from that awful disease, swell-headedness."

On behalf of Mrs. Rahmin, Dr. H. el Arculli thanked the Club for the honour they had accorded her in asking her to present the prizes.

The following were the results of the day's events: 70 yards Mathematical Race (Boys 12 yrs. and under)—1, S. K. Khan; 2, Munsur Ismail; 3, E. M. Bux. 70 yards Mathematical Race (Girls 14 yrs. and under)—1, Z. el Arculli; 2, M. A. Curcum; 3, J. A. Curcum. 80 yards Handicap (Boys under 12 yrs.)—1, A. G. Ismail; 2, L. Kaldir; 3, Hanifa Azan. 220 Handicap (St. John's Ambulance, Indian Division, cadets only)—1, O. Rahmin; 2, S. H. Khan.

Cricket Novelties Event.—1, N. Singh; 2, A. K. Minu. Egg and Spoon Race (Members 35 yrs. and over)—1, A. R. M. Samy; 2, O. Rumjahn.

100 yards Handicap.—1, T. Hamet; 2, N. Singh. 120 yards Handicap (Boys under 12 yrs.)—1, A. G. Ismail; 2, Abdul Rauf Azan; 3, A. R. Saleh. 100 yards Handicap (St. John's Ambulance, Indian Division, cadets only)—1, G. Singh; 2, J. B. Hassan; 3, Rumjahn.

30 yards Mathematical Race (Members of Ladies Section).—Mrs. O. Rumjahn; 2, Miss J. Hassan; 3, Miss Z. el Arculli.

Egg and Spoon Race, double-handed, 30 yards, (Members 35 yrs. and over)—1, A. K. Minu; 2, S. M. Sadek. 200 yards Handicap.—1, O. Rumjahn; 2, N. Singh.

Ladies Nomination Race.—1, Miss Fung and A. K. Minu; 2, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rumjahn. 120 yards Handicap.—1, A. R. Mark; 2, A. el Arculli.

Egg and Spoon Race, double-handed, 30 yards, (Ladies Only).—1, Miss R. el Arculli; 2, Mrs. E. O. Rumjahn; 3, Miss J. Hamet.

Indian Students of all Schools.—1, Attar Singh; 2, Pal Singh; 3, S. K. Khan. Tennis Novelties Event.—1, A. H. Madar; 2, I. Kitchell. Ladies.—1, Mrs. R. J. Master; 2, Mrs. O. Rumjahn.

100 yards Consolation Race.—E. R. Markar.

Bandsman's Race.—1, Mohammed Singh; 2, Noor Elahi.

Season's Sports

The prizes for the winners of the past season's sports activities were also distributed. Results:

Cricket, 1st XI batting: 1, A. H. Madar; 2, M. el Arculli. Bowling: 1, A. H. Madar; 2, A. R. Minu.

2nd XI batting: 1, A. R. Sullad; 2, A. Baker. Bowling: 1, M. R. Abbas; 2, Y. T. Barma.

Winners of Sunday cricket league: Malays. They were presented with a Shield donated by Messrs. Burke and Company. Members of the team who received pennants were: Messrs. A. R. Kitchell, K. Nazarin, I. Ali, I. Yusuf, O. Talip, E. Yusuf, A. M. Wahab, J. Hamet, L. B. Kitchell, S. Hamet, J. Kitchell, A. R. M. Samy, M. Wahab, A. R. Dallah and R. Nazarin.

Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.—A. R. Minu, A. R. Dallah. Singles Handicap.—A. K. Minu. Runner-up, A. R. Minu.

Pairs Championship.—Winners, A. M. Wahab and J. Hoosen. Runners-up, M. U. Razack and A. R. Minu.

Pairs Handicap.—Winners, D. M. Khan and S. A. R. Bux. Runners-up, A. B. Khan and A. S. Sullad. Rink's Championship. Winners, Badan Singh, A. M. Wahab, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah (skip). Runners-up, B. el Arculli, M. U. Razack, D. M. Khan and E. el Arculli (skip).

Lawn Tennis. Singles Championship.—1, H. D. Rumjahn; 2, A. R. Minu. Doubles Championship.—1, H. D. Rumjahn and T. Ali; 2, K. Ram and Firdos Khan.

Doubles Handicap.—1, A. R. Minu and T. Ali; 2, H. D. Rumjahn and M. U. Razack.

Junior Championship.—1, T. Ali; 2, K. Ram.

Singles Handicap.—1, M. I. Razack; 2, S. A. R. Bux.

SPORT ADVTS

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

Tennis Tournament 1939

Monday, 8th May—Open Singles Final. Taul Wai-pui v. Taul Yan-pui.

Wednesday, 10th May—Open Doubles Final. Ho Ka Lau and Lee Yue Wing vs. Taul Wai-pui and Taul Yan-pui.

The Prize Giving will follow the Open Doubles.

Matches commence 4.30 p.m. Booking now open at Moutrie's. Reserved Seats \$1.

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JOHNSTOWN WINS KENTUCKY DERBY VERY EASILY

Rugby League Cup
Halifax Beat Salford In Great Final

Wembley, London, May 6. Fifty thousand spectators to-day crammed the Wembley Stadium to witness the Rugby League Cup final between Halifax and Salford. The latter, the favourites, were beaten by 20 points to three.

Halifax were aggressive from the start, and their speed threw the favourites out of their stride. Deadly tackling broke up many movements. A surprising fluctuation in the first half was the fact that out of the first eighteen scrums Salford had succeeded in gaining from fourteen of them, but at the interval, out of 41 scrums, they had only gained from 19.

The winner was never seriously challenged. From the back-stretch to the home-stretch, the race belonged to Johnstown, who took command with an immense bound from the starting gate and refused to relinquish his lead to any of his seven challengers.

The finishing order behind the first three was Viscosity, Technician, El Chico, T. M. Dorsett and On Location, all of whom were hopelessly far behind.

The pari-mutuel dividend was \$320, the shortest priced winner since 1905.

With the first prize of \$46,350, Johnstown's earnings for the past two years now amount to \$109,205.

Jimmy Stout rode the winner and never at any stage of the race applied the whip.—United Press.

In the Wood Memorial Stakes at New York on April 29, Johnstown ran away from a fast field and won by five lengths from Volant and laydown. The winner was then favourite for the Derby.

JUBILEE STAKES
London, May 6. The Jubilee Stakes was run to-day resulting in a win for Antony, of 10-1, Poppagano II (7-1) second and Domaha (100-0) third. Thirteen run. The time was 3 mins. 1 1/2 secs.

The following were the starters and Reuter.

Jockeys for the Jubilee Stakes: Antony (Tucker), Black Speck (Caralake), Challenge (E. Smith), Dintoff (Harry Wragg), Portmarnock (Jones), Golden Sovereign (Barnes), Glenlochy (Pat Beasley), Bomby Duck (Lowry), Poppagano II (Perryman), Couvert (Smirke), Headline (Weston), Domaha (Gordon Richards), and Nosegay (Maher).

Honeymoon Lingerie



Cultivating Charm In Childhood

BECAUSE the world is as it is a inner intelligence that is under-
 charming person will always be standing. Under all this, as a foundation as
 more successful than the one who. It was, the child must be taught a
 neither prepossessing nor attractive. It was, the child must be taught a
 complete respect for other people's
 feelings. This does not mean that it
 charm can to a large extent be cul-
 tivated. And it is not too soon to
 start right from babyhood. Much
 can be, and is, done to ensure that
 the complexion is clear and fine, the
 eyes bright and vital, and the hair
 glossy and abundant, but very little
 is done about beautifying the spon-
 taneous manner of the child, which
 is charm.
 First a word to the wise. Never
 allow any child's manner to become
 forced. Too frequent and too tact-
 less correcting will often produce a
 small automaton who will politely
 but uninterestingly answer. "Yes,
 please," and "No thank you" with
 a regulated smile; who will never
 have any original conversation, and
 who will sit primly, and answer in
 a trained way when questioned. On
 the other hand, most children require
 a certain amount of correction, both
 in speech and manner. But it must
 be so carefully done that it never
 becomes a lesson learned, but is
 simply instilled into the mind of the
 child in such a way that he or she
 considers other people's feelings
 and reactions subconsciously.
 Artificial charm is never appealing,
 but the small person who has a ready
 smile, and a friendly word, neither
 too shy nor too precocious, who
 knows when to speak, yet who does
 not have to sit like a doll at a tea
 party, is well on the road to grow-
 ing into a charming youth.
 Having learned the first two most
 difficult rules—when to talk, and
 when to be silent (and little ones
 must learn the latter very thorough-
 ly), other lessons to be learned are
 choice of conversation. These are
 also difficult, and many people go
 right through life without ever learn-
 ing them. They cannot be learned
 "parrot fashion." They require that
 the child who is treated with
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WITH lingerie there are no definite
 fashions which must be followed—it is
 a case of "a little of what you fancy does
 you good."

Every now and then a new material, a
 new colour, or a new style may be introduced
 to fall in with the general trend of fashion,
 but on the whole these things are very much
 a matter of individual taste.

Consider the surroundings you live in,
 and consider your "type"—for you will never
 be really happy with anything that isn't
 "you."

The athletic girl who chooses a scrap of
 stuff-and-chiffon looks for all the world like

a racehorse in a negligee—and sooner or
 later realises it; too late, alas, to change the
 purchase; too soon, oh dear, to be able to
 discard and buy again.

Notice the difference between the
 lingerie photographed from the trousseau of
 the unsophisticated country bride and that
 sketched from the trousseau of the bride-
 about-town who is honeymooning in Paris
 and setting up flat in London.

Only the negligees and two representa-
 tive nightdresses from each trousseau are
 described here, but at the foot of the page
 are details of inexpensive lingerie sets which
 would be suitable for both girls' trousseaux.

1 The dressing-gown is an exotic
 affair, but is far more practical
 than it looks.

The pale blue chiffon is ruched
 with elastic threads, which means
 that it will wash beautifully and can
 be pulled out flat when being
 ironed. It also means that the gown
 fits the figure like a charm.

The ruching gives double folds of
 the material for extra warmth, and
 allows her to bundle the gown in
 anyhow when she is packing, with-
 out fear that it will come out like
 a crumpled handkerchief. Most mo-
 dern flats are central-heated, so she
 probably will not need a thick dress-
 ing-gown as well.

2 She has a bed jacket to match,
 which is a nice idea. It gives
 such a satisfactory feeling to go all
 out on one really good set like this.
 The long sleeves make the jacket
 more sophisticated than it would be
 with the more usual short sleeves.

3 The two nightdresses which
 have been sketched for the town
 bride are both in peach satin and
 chiffon, and look very lovely under
 the pale blue chiffon negligee. Notice
 the Grecian top—a particularly be-
 coming type of bodice for a youthful
 figure.

And For The Rest

LINGERIE, free of too much
 fuss yet feminine, can be
 used by both types with equal
 success. You'll need cami-
 knickers with the summer com-
 ing, slips and knickers, stock-
 ings and a good foundation gar-
 ment.

Here are some suggestions to work
 upon. All these garments are beau-
 tifully cut, simple in design, and will
 last as long as the rest of the good
 things we have planned for you.

White chiffon camiknickers with a
 ruched brassiere top are a lovely
 choice. The top of the camiknickers
 has threads of narrow elastic run
 through to give the bust-line snug fit
 without tightness, for they'll give to
 your figure this way. These chiffon
 camiknickers can also be bought in a
 blue, peach, apple green, and pink.
 A set consisting of camiknickers,
 knickers, and slip in pure white silk
 crepe-de-chine is French hand-made,
 cut with the style and accuracy that
 the French devote to their lingerie.
 The knickers and camiknickers have
 scalloped edges, and are trimmed
 with white satin applique, all hand-
 made.

If you are superstitious and like a

touch of blue on your underwear,
 spend a little more and get a pair of
 camiknickers in white crepe suzette
 with satin applique outlined in sky-
 blue stitching. This looks frail and
 bewitching, but crepe suzette has a
 reputation for being one of the
 hardest-wearing materials ever.

Lace-trimmed satin and crepe-de-
 chine slips come in a variety of pastel
 colours, knickers to match.

Corsets

As a rule every woman has her
 own particular brand of corset which
 suits her figure, and from which she
 cannot be deterred.
 If, however, you can't make up
 your mind about corsets, a good one
 is a well-known make of corset
 with lace brassiere top, entirely
 boneless, but so cut in a super
 lastique material that it'll control
 your figure completely.

Stockings

Whatever you pay for stockings
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 in copper shades, deep pinks are
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REVUE FOR HONGKONG

Japan Ship Change May Delay Players

The unpleasant news that the
 artists for their revue, booked to
 open in Hongkong on May 17, would
 probably not be able to arrive before
 May 18 awaited Messrs. Lynn Cowan
 and Bill Bailey, well-known players
 and producers, when they arrived
 from Singapore by the Haruna Maru
 on Saturday.

Mrs. Cowan, who played with
 Messrs. Cowan and Bailey in a Hong-
 kong Hotel turn in 1935, recently
 sailed for the East by the Hieiyo
 Maru with a cast of revue players
 assembled in Hollywood. At Kobe,
 however, the Hieiyo Maru was sent
 into dry dock and arrangements were
 made for the transfer of the players
 to the Terukuni Maru, which is not
 due in Hongkong until May 18.

Hats for Summer are really smart, and here we have three of the best. At left, a small but
 bulky sailor of red and black straw braid. Its graceful black quill is brilliantly lacquered; its veil
 red. At top, lilac wings and pink carnations set the spring colour scheme of this tiny straw hat.
 The streamers are pink silk velvet ribbon. Below, the Gibson girl and the Merry Widow inspire to-
 day's hat styles. This lady wears a sailor of shiny black patent leather topped with a big white quill,
 with one of the smart new veils which cover the face.

Mr. Cowan, who had booked the
 Queen's Theatre for May 17, spent
 yesterday searching for a ship
 schedule which would bring his
 artists in by May 17, but it is likely
 that the team will come on by the
 Terukuni Maru and, open on May 18.
 The revue's real mission is the
 opening of Messrs. Cowan and Bal-
 ley's new 10-storey Cathay Cafe,
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 pore on July 20. While here they
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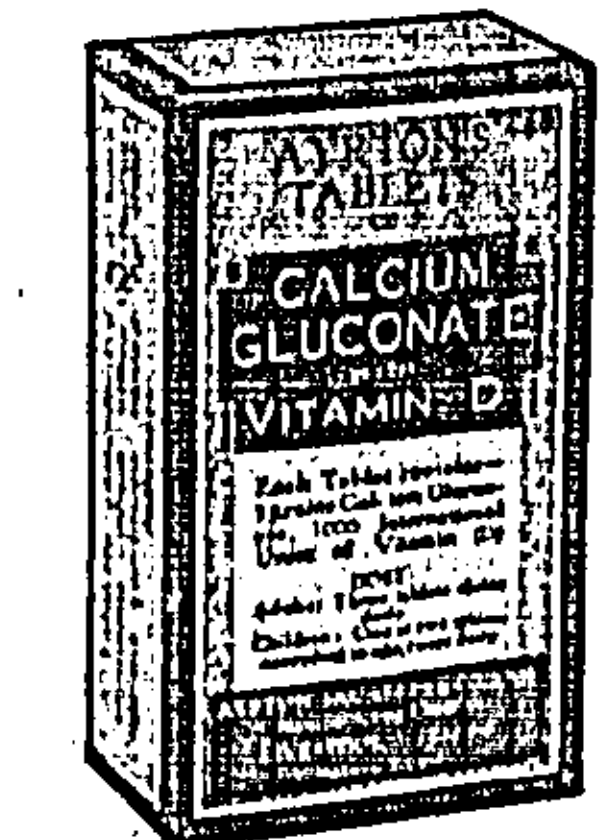
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Departure By Plane

Genevieve Tobin And Husband

After one crowded day in Hong-
 kong the Hollywood film star, Miss
 Genevieve Tobin, and her director
 husband, Mr. William Keighley, left
 for Hanoi by Air France plane on
 Saturday morning. Their departure
 was quite without ceremony.

Others who left by the plane, also
 bound for Hanoi, were Mr. R. A. V.
 Ribeiro, Mr. H. Diestel, Mr. G. Zep-
 pernick, Mr. W. J. Miller, Mr. S. E.
 Lavrov, and three Chinese.

TO EUROPE AND RETURN

San Diego, May 5.
 All plans are ready to launch a
 secretly-built passenger transport
 plane capable of flying to Europe
 from America and return non-stop.

The plane will carry 52 passen-
 gers and its cruising range is expected
 to be 10,000 miles with a maxi-
 mum speed of 275 miles per hour.

It is reported that American Ex-
 port Airlines are interested in the
 cruiser which it is proposed to use
 in trans-Atlantic competition with
 Pan-American Airways. —United
 Press.

ARCTIC AIR SERVICE

Moscow, May 7.
 Plans for establishing a regular air
 communications service from Moscow
 to the Arctic regions will be taken
 in hand upon the return of the Soviet
 aviator Maslurik from the Arctic base
 where he has been engaged for some
 time in carrying out a series of
 experimental flights.

In announcing these plans yester-
 day Moscow newspapers claimed that
 the proposed air route linking up
 Moscow with the Schmidt Peninsula
 in North-east Siberia by way of
 Archangel and Chelyuskin would have
 a total length of 17,500 kilometres and
 would be the quickest route from
 Europe to the Far East.

The new service will be inaugurated
 following the erection of several
 airports equipped with stocks of fuel
 and direction finding wireless sta-
 tions. Trial flights are said to have
 shown that a service can be main-
 tained with safety throughout the
 entire year. —Trans-Ocean.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia and British
 Countries: Imperial Airways 7 a.m.
 May 9. Imperial Airways 7 a.m.
 May 12.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia
 and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.
 For U.S.A. via Manila and Guam:
 Pan American Honolulu Clipper 8.30
 and May 11.

For France, via Hanoi: Air France
 6.30 a.m. May 13.

Inward

From London, Australia and Bri-
 tish countries: Imperial Airways 5
 p.m. May 9. Imperial Airways 5
 p.m. May 11.

From U.S.A. via Guam, and
 Manila: Pan American Honolulu
 Clipper 12.30 p.m. May 10.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu,
 Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Service
 indefinite.

From France, via Hanoi: Air
 France 1 p.m. May 10.

EU BROTHERS TO WED

Two of Mr. Eu Tong-sen's sons are
 to be married shortly in Hongkong.
 The elder, Mr. Eu Keng-loon, a
 banker, will wed Miss Nancy Kan
 Shui-kuang, of 1, Eastern Terrace,
 Hongkong; the other, William Keng
 Yuet Eu, a merchant will take as his
 bride, Miss May Shum Suen-yee, of
 44, Bonham Road, Hongkong.

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REGISTERED LETTER Quarrel Between Postman And Sanitary Inspector

A summons for assault on March 20 brought by Li King-fai, Postman, against Tang Ho-yam, Sanitary Inspector, was dismissed by Mr. E. Hilmsworth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday after evidence had been given by Tang.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ was present for the defence.

At a previous hearing, Li said that he was outside a house in Tai Po Road when Tang stopped him and struck him a blow on the nose.

Tang, in evidence, said the trouble arose after the Postman had refused to hand over a registered letter unless it was chopped with a chop registered in the Post Office. The Postman then left and was heard to make abusive remarks about him being a rubbish inspector. He went out and told the Postman he would report him, and the man then rolled up his sleeves to fight, so he hit him in self defence.

The defending defendant, the Magistrate said it was obvious that some person was telling lies, and in view of the conflicting story and certain amount of doubt, he would have the summons dismissed.

POISON REGULATION Alterations Announced In Government Gazette

Changes in the Poisons Regulations were announced in the Government Gazette on Saturday. The notice rescinds the regulations, the five lists in the first schedule and the whole of the second schedule, and announces a long substitute.

A note declares that the fundamental changes effected by the new regulations consists in the exclusion from Part II of the Poisons List of all Part I poisons so that a listed seller will no longer be entitled to retail any Part I poison, except where it forms a very small proportion by weight of a preparation or mixture. This saving provision enables a shopkeeper who is a listed seller to retail certain proprietary preparations in common use.

New provisions are also made in respect of the supply and storage of poisons in institutions and there are also supplementary provisions with respect to labelling, containers and transport of poisons.

Records of every import, purchase or sale of poisons by licensed wholesale dealers must hereafter be kept.

YVONNE TAKEN ILL Crooner Stricken With Appendicitis

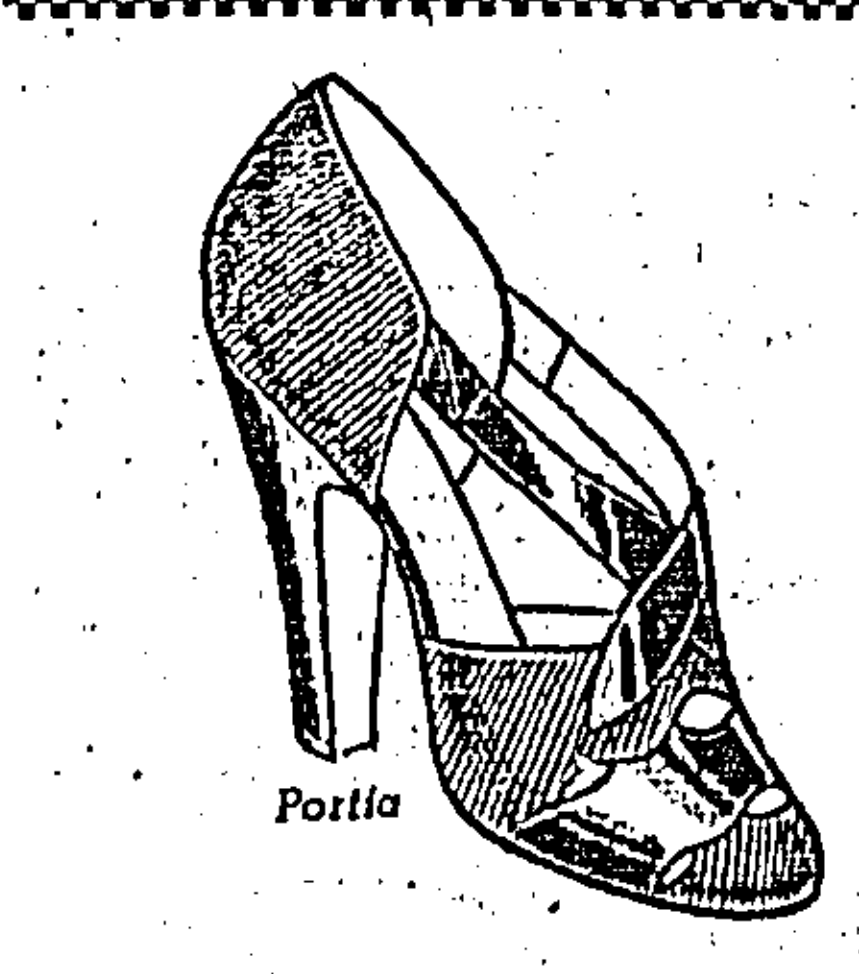
In the midst of a party she was giving on Saturday, Yvonne, the popular crooner at the Hongkong Hotel, was suddenly taken ill, and was rushed to the Canossa Hospital, where an operation for appendicitis was performed. She is progressing favourably and is out of danger, but she will be unable to resume her work for some weeks.

YOUTH FESTIVAL
The Confucious Hall, Hollywood Road, was full to capacity yesterday, when members from the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Students' Christian Union and the Chinese News Reporters' Club, participated in the celebration of the Youth-Festival. After speeches were delivered by various speakers, a programme of entertainment was provided.

Anglo-Turkish Treaty?

Istanbul, May 8.
Reports from Ankara state that an Anglo-Turkish agreement has been reached for collaboration to ensure security in the Mediterranean. The terms of the agreement will be announced on Monday simultaneously in the Turkish Parliament at Ankara, and the House of Commons in London.—United Press.

HURRIED SUMMONS
Ankara, May 8.
In response to a summons from his Government, Mr. Potemkin, the Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, left hurriedly for Moscow last night. Strictest secrecy surrounds the conversations Mr. Potemkin had with Turkish leaders.—United Press.



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Prison For Policeman Indian Constable Appeals In Vain

SENTENCED TO three months' hard labour by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest on two charges of extortion, Piara Singh, an Indian Constable, brought an appeal against his conviction before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor in the Appeal Court this morning.

The appeal was dismissed. Appellant was arrested in Wanchai last month by Mr. T. J. Houston, Third Magistrate, who saw him asking a Chinese named Chan Hing to extort two cents from two hawkers. Unrepresented by Counsel, appellant told His Lordship that he did not ask anybody to extort money and that nobody saw him do so. He did not know who Chan Hing was and he could not have spoken to him as he did not know Chinese.

His Lordship pointed out that Mr. Houston had given evidence to the effect that he saw the appellant talking to Chan and that shortly afterwards the latter approached the hawkers.

Appellant denied this was true and said he only saw Chan when he was ordered by Mr. Houston to arrest him.

"I Have No Friends"

"I ask your Lordship," appellant continued, to take pity on me because I am a new man and that I have no friends or relatives to help me, nor have I any means in Hongkong to engage a lawyer to defend me."

On behalf of the Commissioner of Police, who was named as respondent, Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, submitted that there was ample evidence to justify the conviction. The testimony of Chan Hing had been corroborated by Mr. Houston and there was also the evidence of the two hawkers as to the actual demand.

His Lordship dismissed the appeal, saying he saw no ground at all for interfering with the Magistrate's conclusion on the evidence.

LATE NEWS

CHEATED HIS FRIEND Man Takes Commission For Securing Employment

Alleged to have cheated a friend of \$50, by pretending that he could find him employment in Wellington Barracks as a delivery cooler, Lam Wan, 23, unlicensed hawker, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, charged with obtaining money by false pretences.

Sgt. T. Cashman, said Lam had known complainant, Leung Pak, 38, since childhood. On May 3, he met Leung in Wanchai and told him about the job. The next morning, Leung met Lam in Kennedy Road and gave him \$50 as a fee for getting the job.

Lam went into one of the military buildings lining the road, and was away more than two hours. Leung then looked for him, but could not find him. Lam was arrested on information on Friday.

A sum of \$34.73, which Lam admitted was part of the \$50, was found on him.

Asked what he had done with the rest of the money, Lam told Mr. Forrest that he had used it to redeem property. He was remanded until to-day to enable him to raise the money to repay complainant.

COMPULSORY SERVICE Registration Increase During Week

Enquiries from Mr. K. A. Bidmead, Assistant Superintendent of Police, who is in charge of the Registration of British subjects for emergency service, revealed that there has been an improvement in the rate of registration during the past few days as a result of the wide publicity.

To speed up registration, facilities have been made available by the General Post Office, and the Travel Bureau at the Hongkong Star Ferry wharf, for filled-in registration forms to be left. Forms can also be obtained and filled on the spot.

Registration forms, similar to those issued to British subjects of non-Chinese race, are in the course of preparation, with the addition of Chinese wording, for the voluntary registration of British subjects of Chinese race. This has not yet been begun, but will commence as soon as the necessary forms are ready.

CONFIRMATION Ceremony Performed At St. Andrew's Church

Parents and friends of nine boys and 18 girls were present at the St. Andrew's Church yesterday to witness their confirmation. The Rt. Rev. Bishop R. O. Hall conducted the service.

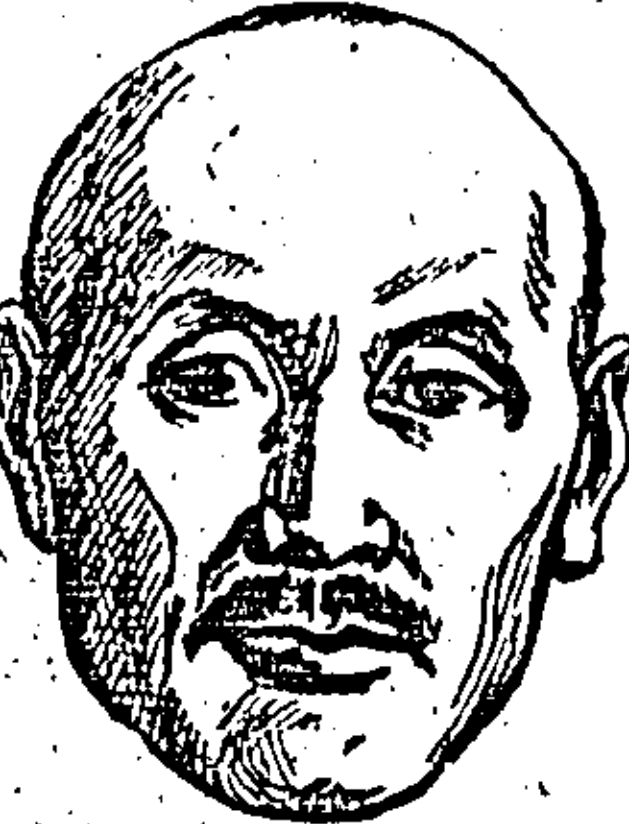
The candidates were: Boys—A. W. Lapsley, A. Calman, F. Crabbe, R. Jan, R. H. Taylor, D. A. Hutchinson, T. L. Lockhart, D. Earton and D. W. Armitt. Girls—J. U. Bradbury, H. W. Millington, E. Andrews, L. King, P. M. Morton, J. B. Carey, A. Chang, R. Tickell, J. F. Sayers, J. M. Bakes, A. Nash, F. Loseby, J. R. Smith, E. Walton, V. M. Bradbury, D. V. Holloway, M. Woods and M. Gould.

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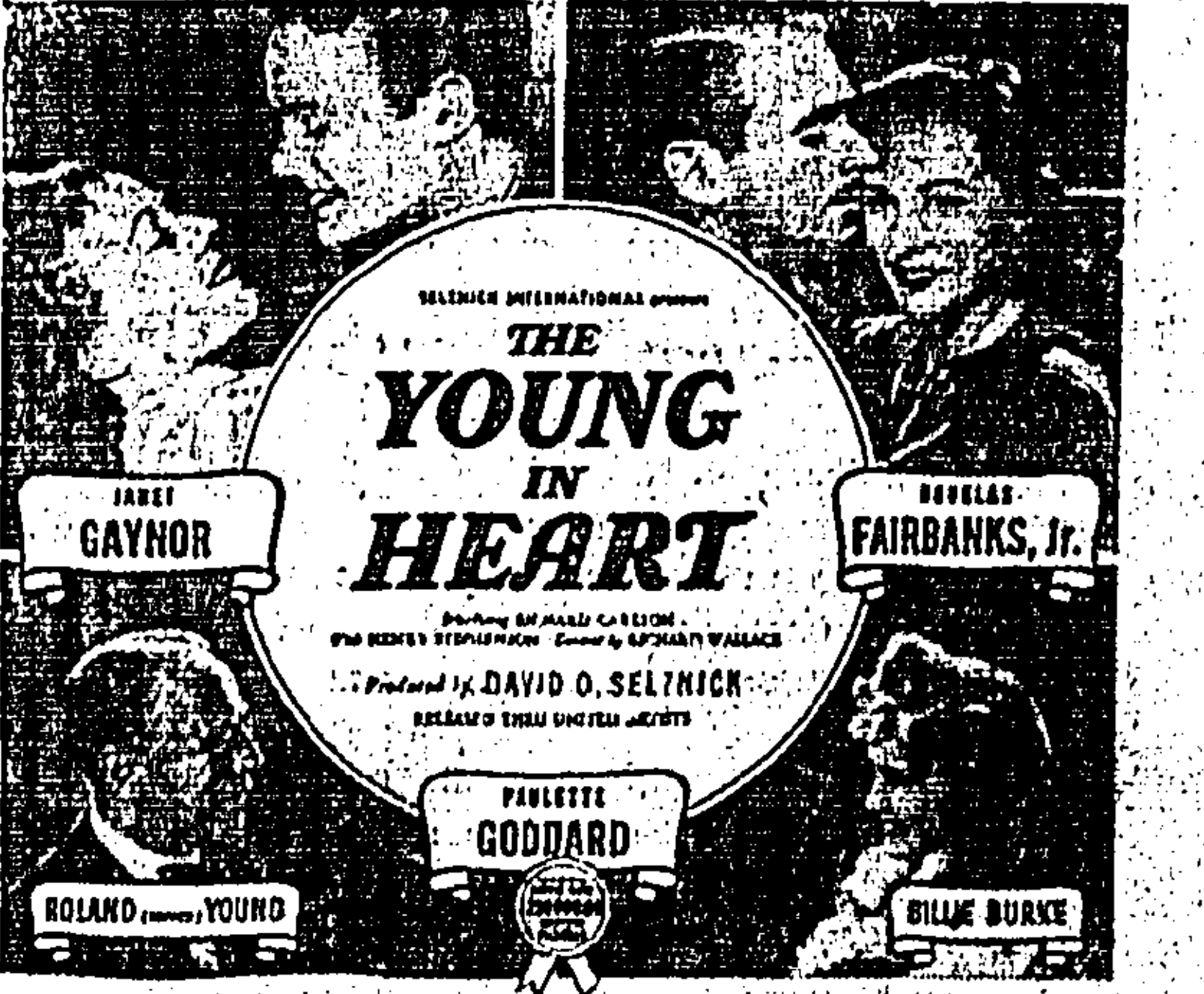
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Totalitarians To Form Military Alliance ITALY & GERMANY REACH AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID

ROME, May 7.

A political and military alliance was agreed upon to-day between Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, and Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, in the course of their conversations in Milan.

An official *communiqué* issued after the meeting between the two statesmen says:

"In the conversations between Count Ciano and Herr von Ribbentrop on May 6 and 7, the present general situation in the international situation was taken into consideration.

"Once again note was taken of the perfect identity of views between the two governments.

"It was decided to fix in final form in a political and military pact, the relations between the two States of the Axis.

"In such a way, Italy and Germany intend to contribute in an efficacious manner to assuring peace in Europe."—*Reuter*.

NO SURPRISE

LONDON, May 7.—The Italo-German decision to define the Axis relations in a political and military pact does not altogether come as a surprise to London, writes "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

Official circles, however, are reserving comment in the absence of details about the scope of the pact.

It is remembered, of course, that relations between Germany and Italy have been the favourite theme for some time past of German and Italian politicians.

It is presumed that the wording of the *communiqué* is designed to put an end to rumours of Italy's dissatisfaction with Germany's policy.

On the other hand, it is stressed that if there is a general dislike among Italians for the existing links with Germany, conclusion of the pact would only serve to accentuate such a feeling.

London observers regard the pact as regularising Germany's military position insofar as Italy is concerned.

ITALIAN NEUTRALITY

Two points are being discussed in diplomatic circles. Firstly, the effect on possible Italian neutrality in certain circumstances; secondly, the relation of Germany to the Mediterranean and North Africa.

NEXT MOVE IS UP TO GERMANY

Poland Awaits
Developments

Warsaw, May 6.

IT IS authoritatively learned that Poland intends to take no initiative in negotiations with Germany.

It is understood that Poland believes that Germany should now reply to Col. Beck's implicit invitation to open talks.

Rumours that Signor Mussolini may endeavour to mediate are officially denied.

German reports say that terrorism has been instituted against the German residents in the Polish Corridor. The official viewpoint stresses the fact that Poland has outlined firstly, a reasonable policy regarding Danzig and the Polish Corridor; secondly, that Germany, according to Nazi sources, has rejected Col. Beck's statement; and, thirdly, that Poland

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A Rome message says that the announcement of a formal alliance with Germany is not regarded as sensational in political circles.

According to Signor Gayda in the "Voce d'Italia," the alliance means no change in the understanding between Italy and Germany. Nevertheless, the announcement of an alliance is thought to have bound Italy in a public manner far more strongly than she was bound before.

Spheres Of Influence

Count Ciano's paper, the "Telegrafo," says that "Italy and Germany recognise that each has a sphere of interests. For Italy it is the whole of the Mediterranean; for Germany, it is the Baltic and the Central European zone. Each carries out the realisation of its task in full autonomy without the other being rigidly compelled to support its partner, but only to facilitate the way."

In one case only is solidarity rigid and entire, namely in an ideological way. In that case, the two countries are resolved, because each one knows that the defeat of one would mean catastrophe for the other.

Count Ciano is returning to Rome to-day and Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop is going back to Berlin.

Warsaw Weakened?
A Warsaw report says that official quarters decline to comment.
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FIXED A PACT



COUNT CIANO

A. R. P. IN SINGAPORE

Evacuation
Plan Abandoned

SINGAPORE, May 8.

THE MALAYAN Defence Council has announced the abandonment of the policy of mass evacuation in the event of emergency.

Making this announcement to-day, the Secretary for Defence said that it had been decided to urge the populace to "stay put" in the event of air raids. Although the policy of dispersal had been hard, it was, he claimed, a palpable fallacy.

The paramount concern of the Government, he announced, was defence against conquest or sustained blockade. The protection of lives and property of individuals must be secondary to this paramount need.

"There is no reason to suppose that air raids will have any significant effect on the defence of the fortress, or that civilian casualties will be comparable with the death toll during the notable epidemic of influenza," he said.—*United Press*.

An examination for Air Raid Warden and V.A. course will be held at Volunteer Headquarters on Friday, May 12 at 10 a.m. All interested are asked to attend.

LABOUR PLANS TRADE UNION FOR SERVICES!

LONDON, May 7.—Sweeping proposals for the re-organisation and democratisation of the armed forces are contained in the Labour Party's policy statement on defence which will be submitted to the party conference at Whitton.

Improvement in pay and conditions are outlined, and the establishment of ministries for supply and defence are recommended with wide powers in overcoming productive delay and in dealing with profiteering.

It is stated that great military and social value would be derived from a regulation making it necessary that all applicants for commissions should first serve a year in the ranks. Freedom for members of the armed forces to join trade unions and professional associations is also advocated.—*Reuter*.

Japanese To Join Military Alliance

TOKYO, May 8.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE apparently in progress for the conclusion of a military alliance between Japan, Germany and Italy, similar to the pact signed between Italy and Germany yesterday.

This admission was made in Tokyo to-day by General Koiso, Minister for Overseas Affairs.

General Koiso added: "Whether anything materialises from these negotiations depends entirely on whether Germany and Italy fully understand Japan's position and power in East Asia."

The Minister for War, General Itagaki, said that the moral cause—inspiring the anti-Comintern Pact—is so deep-rooted that it would not be impossible for Japan to conclude a military agreement with the two Axis Powers if the latter so desired.

General Itagaki said that it was a matter for congratulation that Italy and Germany had bound themselves together more firmly by a military pact.

General Itagaki attributed European unrest to the loss of the balance of power between the Democracies and the Totalitarians.

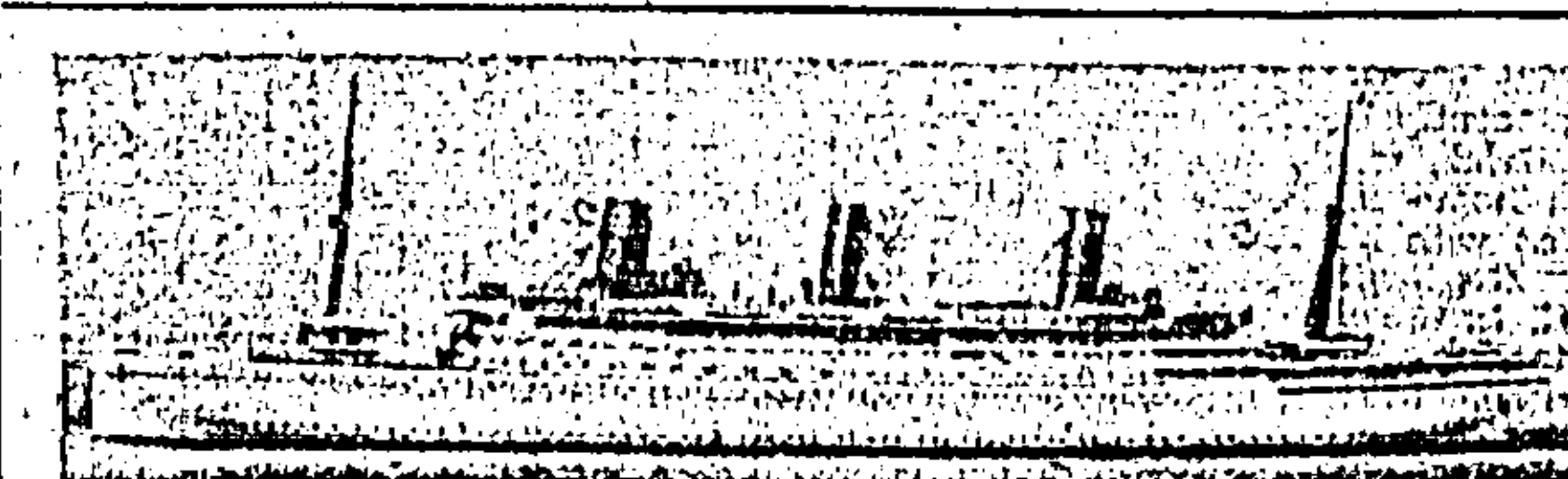
A Foreign Office spokesman to-day said: "It is the unchanged policy of the Japanese Government to strengthen the anti-Comintern pact."—*Domei*.

E. R. C. Sends Food To Samshui

Food, clothing and medicine, to the value of \$5,500, is to be sent to the relief of the distressed populace in the Samshui area.

The donation has been made by the Emergency Relief Council in answer to urgent appeals from the district.

Already \$30,000 has been donated by the Chinese National Relief Commission and the Hongkong Emergency Relief Council to relieve suffering in the war-shattered countryside.



C. P. Liner Empress of Australia

King And Queen Don Lifebelts At Sea

LONDON, May 7.—"Reuter's" special correspondent aboard the Empress of Australia, reports that while the ship ploughed her way through a moderate swell, and bright sunshine with a stiff breeze, Their Majesties attended divine service this morning, conducted by Captain A. R. Meikle.

Punctually at noon the ship's sirens gave the signal "Boat Stations", and Their Majesties and the whole royal party donned lifebelts and hurried to their appointed places on the promenade deck for inspection by the ship's commander.

Their Majesties are spending the afternoon quietly, reading and resting. The first day's run was 282 miles.

During the afternoon, the ship passed the Normandie, and they exchanged radio greetings.—*Reuter*.

Italian Position Claimed Stronger

LONDON, May 7.

WHILE RESERVE is displayed in official circles in London concerning the new Italo-German pact, chiefly owing to the fact that its full implications are not yet known, it is admitted in well-informed quarters that the alliance will strengthen Italy's position in the Mediterranean. It is stated that in all probability the inner council of the British Cabinet will meet on Monday morning to discuss the pact, especially as questions from the Opposition are expected to be made in the afternoon in the House of Commons.

The *communiqué* regarding conclusion of the pact did not reach Paris early enough to allow the papers to comment on it. However, political circles regard the event as being one of great significance.

Before the *communiqué* had been made known, "Le Temps" forecast it and added that perhaps it would be an answer to the introduction of conscription in Britain. However, it was added, such a pact would change nothing as regards the proportionate strength of the various Powers as they stand at present.

In official circles, however, two questions are asked: what will be the effect on German-Polish relations, and on Italian demands in France?

It is felt that the chances of Rome exerting a moderating influence on Berlin have been minimised as a result of the pact.

It is stated that Mussolini intends to postulate his claims against France in a speech at Turin on May 14.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Berlin Pleased

BERLIN, May 7. That the Italo-German military and political alliance clears up completely any doubts as to whether perfect harmony existed between the two partners of the Axis is the general feeling.—*PLEASE Turn To Page 4.*

Baltic States Accept Pacts

TALLINN, Estonia, May 7. Estonia and Latvia have both decided to accept a non-aggression treaty with Germany. The Latvian Foreign Minister was in conference with the Estonian Foreign Minister here on Saturday and returned to Riga to-day.—*United Press*.

WAR IN CHINA

FIGHTING IN TWO CAPITALS

Irregulars Enter Canton And Anking

SEVERE FIGHTING was reported this morning in two Chinese provincial capitals now in Japanese hands.

All the evidence of yesterday's mysterious and sudden proclamation of Martial Law in Canton points to confirmation of rumours that Chinese irregulars actually broke into the city at one stage on Saturday night.

A strong Chinese force is now straddling the Canton-Hankow Railway only three miles from Canton.

The streets of the city have been entirely cleared of Chinese and the principal intersections have been barricaded with sandbags. Large numbers of armoured cars and tanks are scurrying to and fro, the majority proceeding from the Bund in a northerly direction towards Saichuen Station.

Anhui Capital

In Anhwei Province, Chinese mobile units have entered Anking, the provincial capital.

Chinese military reports claim that bitter street fighting is in progress in the city, which has been set afire and is burning fiercely.

The Chinese entry into the strategic Yangtze city was preceded by heavy fighting in the vicinity of the eastern gate.

The Japanese aerodrome in Chinese possession. All the hangars and oil depots have been destroyed. Japanese planes took off before the Chinese succeeded in capturing the aerodrome.

Chinese Retire

A later message admits that the Chinese evacuated their positions in the city this morning, with the arrival of heavy Japanese reinforcements.

City Deserted

CANTON, May 8.—The city yesterday morning presented a deserted appearance as Japanese troops thoroughly combed likely haunts for unruly elements, which have been very active recently.

As a result over 50, including many women suspects, had been arrested by the evening.

Though martial law was lifted at 1 p.m. it may be reinforced momentarily as the campaign progresses.—*Reuter*.

Reports Denied

CANTON, May 8.—The Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Okazaki, in an interview with "Reuter" this morning—*PLEASE Turn To Page 4.*

London Hitch With Russia

LONDON, May 6.

A FEW MINUTES after the Soviet Ambassador left the British Foreign Office to-day, Lord Halifax crossed the street to No. 10 Downing Street to discuss the document with Mr. Chamberlain in the light of the Cabinet Committee's recommendations and to-day's consultations with M. Maisky.

Before going to lunch, Lord Halifax also discussed the position with Lord Cadogan, Under Foreign Secretary.

Government quarters have indicated that the reply in its final form is likely to be an offer of a compromise.

It is suggested that Britain will still propose that Russia should unilaterally extend a promise of support to victims of aggression in East Europe which would become operative only after Britain and France have given armed help to such victims.

It is understood that the reply, as contemplated, will re-open the possibility of a tri-power military alliance, after an agreement has been reached on the afore-mentioned plan.—*United Press*.

Procrastination

LONDON, May 8.—It has been officially disclosed that the new British proposal aimed to bring Russia into the Anglo-French security front has been delayed because of the "necessity for further consideration."

Mr. Chamberlain is personally changing and re-crafting the Note, which originally left the door open for an eventual military aid pact without accepting the Russian proposal for a mutual aid pact.—*United Press*.

French Disappointment

Paris, May 8.—Officialdom here is clearly disappointed at Britain's rejection of the Russian proposal for a military alliance against Hitler. *PLEASE Turn To Page 4.*

LATEST

If War Comes To Europe

Paris, May 7. It is understood that Mussolini will seek a peaceful solution of the Danzig question, since he has agreed to assume the automatic commitments of a military alliance with Germany.

It is believed that if Duce has learned that, in case of war, the French are now bound to use their plan of attack on Germany through Northern Italy, which has resulted in Italy's decision to sign the military alliance.

The Franco-British plans are believed to call for the destruction of the Italian fleet and Italy's complete isolation from all colonial possessions where heavy forces are stationed.—*United Press*.

See Back Page For
Further Late News

NEW EMERGENCY LAWS SIGNED BY LEBRUN

PARIS, May 7.—Emergency decrees signed by President Lebrun on Saturday were published in the official Gazette to-day.

A decree relating to the introduction of compulsory training in civil air raid precautions in French schools, provides that up to 12 lessons a year may be set aside for the purpose.

The Social-Democratic Teachers' Union protested against the introduction of a new subject, which it declared was "superfluous."

A further decree provides that all fuel reservoirs in Algiers, with a capacity of more than 14,000 cubic metres were to be reinforced and protected against bombing from the air by August 15.

The Minister of Public Works has been appointed chairman of the new committee, while the Secretary-General for National Defence will be deputy chairman.—*Trans-Ocean*.

BROTHERS STARVE TO DEATH

GRIMSBY.

FOR a year three Grimsby brothers lived on nine shillings a week:...

One had an Army pension of eight shillings a week, one had 8s. 6d. a week from his club—the other had nothing.

They paid 2s. 6d. a week for medicine—and the rest had to buy their food.

The only other means of support they had was 37s. they received twice a year as Freeman of the Borough.

They lived on bread, margarine, potatoes, and milk—and did not get enough of those. Their meagre rations slowly

sapped their strength. They began to starve slowly to death.

DEAD IN BED

Recently one of the three, Colverly McUlrich, was found dead in bed at the home in Kent-street, where he lived with his brothers.

His brother, Albert, was lying ill in the same bed. Albert was taken to the infirmary, where he died.

At the inquest on Colverly later a doctor said that death was due to prolonged under-nourishment. Albert's death also is said to have been contributed to by under-nourishment.

The third brother, Charles Edwin, was asked at the inquest if they had never had public assistance.

He replied: "I was told I could not get it," but a P.A.C. officer said they could have had medical attention as well as relief by asking for it.

FIGURES MATCH

BRISTOW, Okla.

Amazed was the word to describe the post-office staff here. Employees checked and rechecked figures, but their first total was correct. Receipts for the Bristow post office for the last quarter of 1938 were exactly—the last penny—the same as for the final three months of 1937. The total was \$7,922.43.

POSED AS AN EARL

LESLIE Francis Collier, aged 26, who, it was stated, had posed as an earl, was sentenced at Surrey Quarter Sessions at Kingston to three years' penal servitude for false pretences.

A constable said that Collier, who had five previous convictions, was the son of an Army officer.

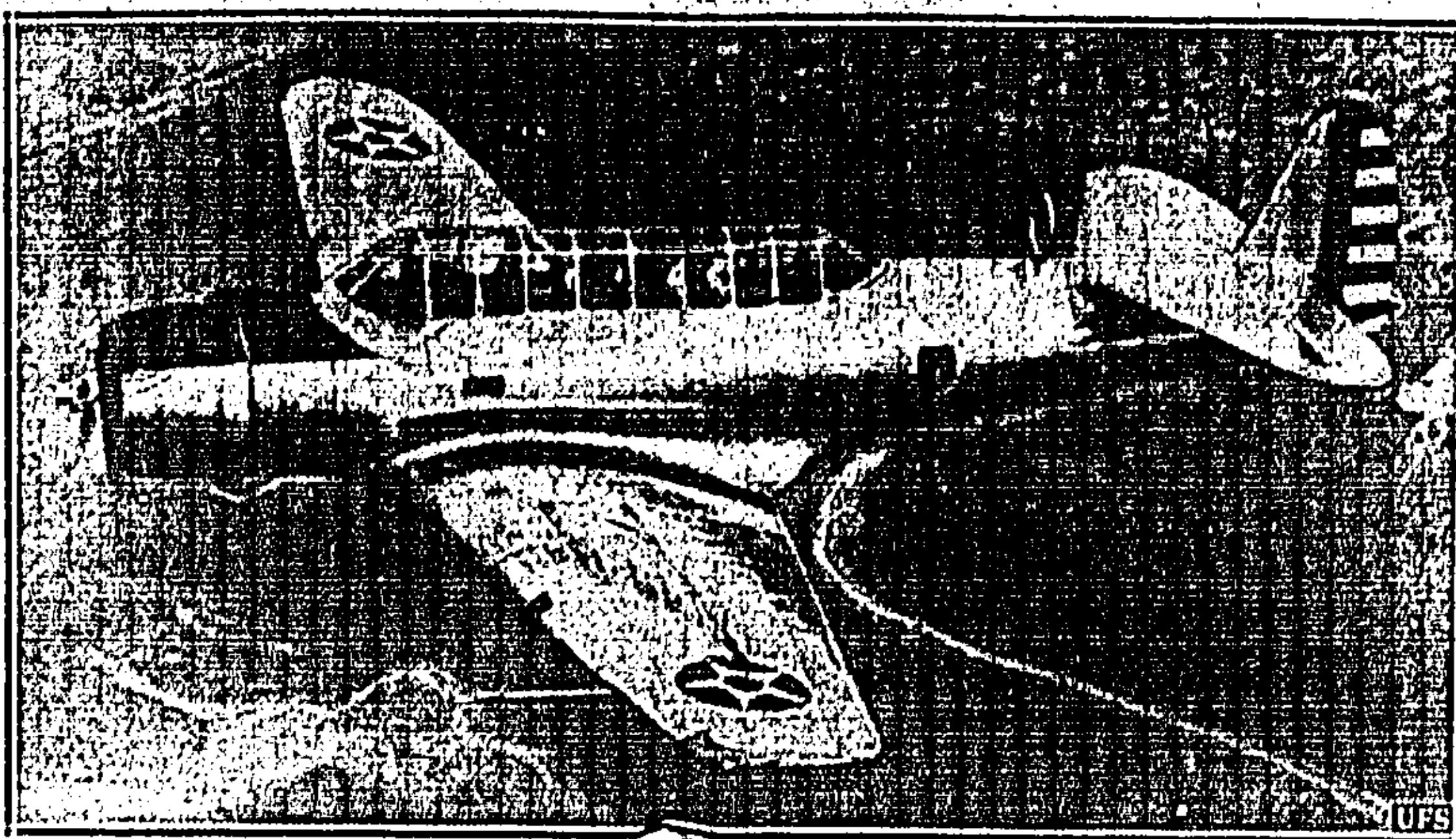
He joined the Army in the ranks and later entered Sandhurst for a commission, but failed to pass the examination.

He was married at Norwich, and was arrested on a false-pretence charge shortly after the ceremony.

Mr. C. G. L. du Cann, defending, said Collier did well at Sandhurst until his mentality underwent some change which no one could understand.

He went to Belgium, where he did some extraordinary things, and his father brought him back to this country after paying his debts.

He disappeared and went to Birmingham, where, at a cost of £5, he sent a cablegram of congratulations to a famous airman in Australia, although they were not acquainted.



Here is one of America's newest bombers, an all-metal attack plane, taking its initial flight over Downey, Cal., before delivery to the army. Carrying a crew of three it can attain a speed of 230 miles an hour. It is designed to carry 800 pounds of bombs.

£250,000 Club Has To Use Oil Lamps

AT six o'clock every night Bill Pendor, barman, trims the wicks and lights the two oil lamps on either side of his cocktail bar in the great drawing-room of the Pinewood Club, Iwer, Bucks, the £250,000 millionaire's mansion which for the last two years has been a country club for British film stars.

His customers wear overcoats, for during the last ten days there has

been neither central heating nor electric light.

Bill Pendor is one of six out of a staff of forty-two club servants who remained on to keep the club open. Their last resident, the film star Nils Asther, left a week ago, because he could no longer see to read in the evenings.

CLOSED DOWN

The heated indoor swimming pool in which stars and guests saw in the New Year of 1938, bathing at midnight under sun-ray lamps, has become a cold plunge; the £100 television set is dark and the sixteen acres of ornamental gardens, wired for flood-lighting, will not light up.

The club has been dark because the £750,000 studio buildings behind it—buildings in which "Pygmalion," "Stolen Life," "The Mikado," "Keep Smiling," and "This Man Is News" were made last year—have been idle since December, and the power plant which serves them and the club has been closed down to save expense.

When Pinewood and Denham studios were amalgamated recently it was agreed to fill the studio floors at Denham first.

The Pinewood Club, which has 1,000 members, is being kept open at a £100 a week personal loss by Mr. Charles Boot, the sixty-five-year-old building and civil engineering magnate, who bought the estate when it was Hetherden Hall, country residence of the late Colonel Grant Morden, millionaire M.P.

Mr. Boot turned it into a luxury country club, and built the £750,000 film studios behind it.

MODEL VILLAGE

He also built a model village of some 400 houses for studio workers. Now barely a dozen employees of the studio occupy those houses. The block of studio workers' flats is tenantless.

Mr. Boot hopes that the studios will be working again by July.

He leaves for Greece, where he has 3,000 men working on civil engineering projects.

Asked about the future of his £1,000,000 enterprise in British films, he said:—

"The British film industry needs a man to organise production."

"The efforts of many of the people responsible for organisation are erratic and feeble, they are quite unable to realise the forces available, they fail to discern between the good and bad, they strike the thing in a casual way and let in too much that is uncertain and extravagant."

Mr. Boot lists the other weaknesses of the industry as:—

(1) Wealthy distributing concerns too little concerned with the need for encouraging British productions, content to take profit from distributing American films.

(2) British technicians and workmen who have taken full advantage of the incompetence of studio managements to hold them up for higher wages and extravagant extra allowances.

BABIES TEST GAS BAGS IN LONDON

The Home Office have tried out gas bags for babies on some of the families living in the 800 London County Council flats on the Bourne Estate, Holborn, E.C. Some babies thought the bags were new tops; others, according to mothers, nearly choked in them.

TRAGEDIES STRIKE

State College, Pa.

College students are not immune to the tragedies of life. Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men at the Pennsylvania State College, has found that each week 18 of Penn

Sir John Anderson, A.R.P. chief, has said in the House of Commons that it is proposed to issue 1,200,000 bags to families with babies under two years.

State's 8,990 students are absent from classes because of deaths in their immediate families.

Spinach Canners Shut Down

SAN JOSE, Cal.

It is presumed that a cry of joy will go up from American youngsters fully as great as the groan of woe that came out of Santa Clara Valley when spinach farmers were informed by several canning concerns that there will be no canning of spinach this year. March is the height of the season for canning spinach, but the carryover from last year is sufficient for the coming year.

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Film Director Fined For Smuggling

FARQUAR GRAY

GEORGE TINN,

film director husband of a Russian ballet dancer who has appeared at Drury Lane, was fined £300, with ten guineas costs, at Croydon recently for smuggling jewellery.

He tried to evade duty on a gold and ruby wrist watch, valued at £80, a honeymoon present to his wife, a gold dress clip, and a man's steel wrist watch, each worth £11.

Mr. Douglas J. Willson, prosecuting, said that when Tim and his wife arrived at the airport from Paris he declared only some Russian books, some medicine and a small box.

Mr. William J. Brooks, Customs officer, said he found the gold clip in a trunk beneath hanging dresses. In another bag he found two watches. In a third was the steel wrist watch, an old one.

'I'M IN A HURRY'

Mr. Alfred Stuart, assistant preventive officer, said Tim told him he had imported the gold clip last year, and paid duty on it in Folkestone. He was asked to produce the clip, and then said he had brought in 500 other things at the same time. He made a declaration, which he signed.

"When he was asked to make a second declaration about the gold and ruby watch," said Mr. Stuart, "Tinn replied, 'I am in a great hurry to attend a conference. I will pay £80 for a phone call to anywhere. You may check up and do what you wish.'"

Mr. J. Sutton, chief preventive officer, said when he pointed out to Tinn that the declaration was incorrect, he said, "I treated the form like one would treat an application for a driving licence."

Tinn said he had to admit he did not tell the truth about the gold clip, but he meant to declare the steel watch. He bought the gold and ruby one for his wife while they were on their honeymoon in Cannes in July.

They returned to England in September, and his wife wore the watch then. She also wore it when they went abroad again. He could not

remember whether or not duty had been paid on it.

Mr. Willson, cross-examining, asked him: "Are you so wealthy that you might forget the payment of a sum like £237?"

"Yes," he replied.

Prize Dobermann Acquired

SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

An internationally famous Dobermann pinscher dog has been acquired by J. L. Baptiste, of Schenectady. The dog, Carol van Oevanes, is believed to be the only Dobermann ever to hold championship awards of three countries, America, France and Belgium. In addition, Carol has won many police, war and Red Cross dog training awards.

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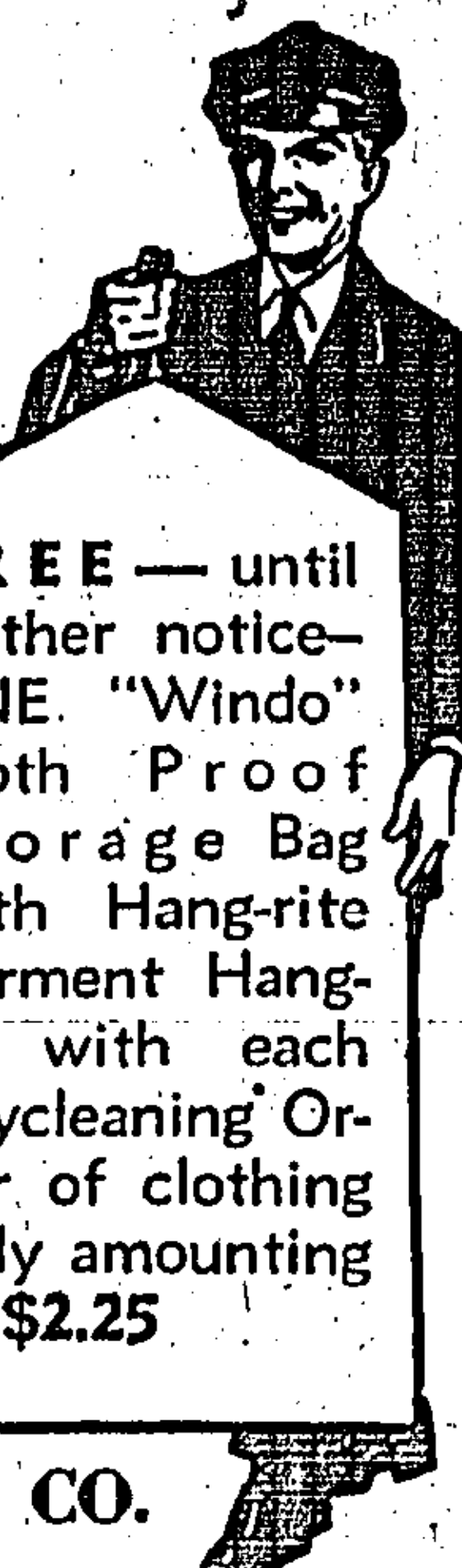
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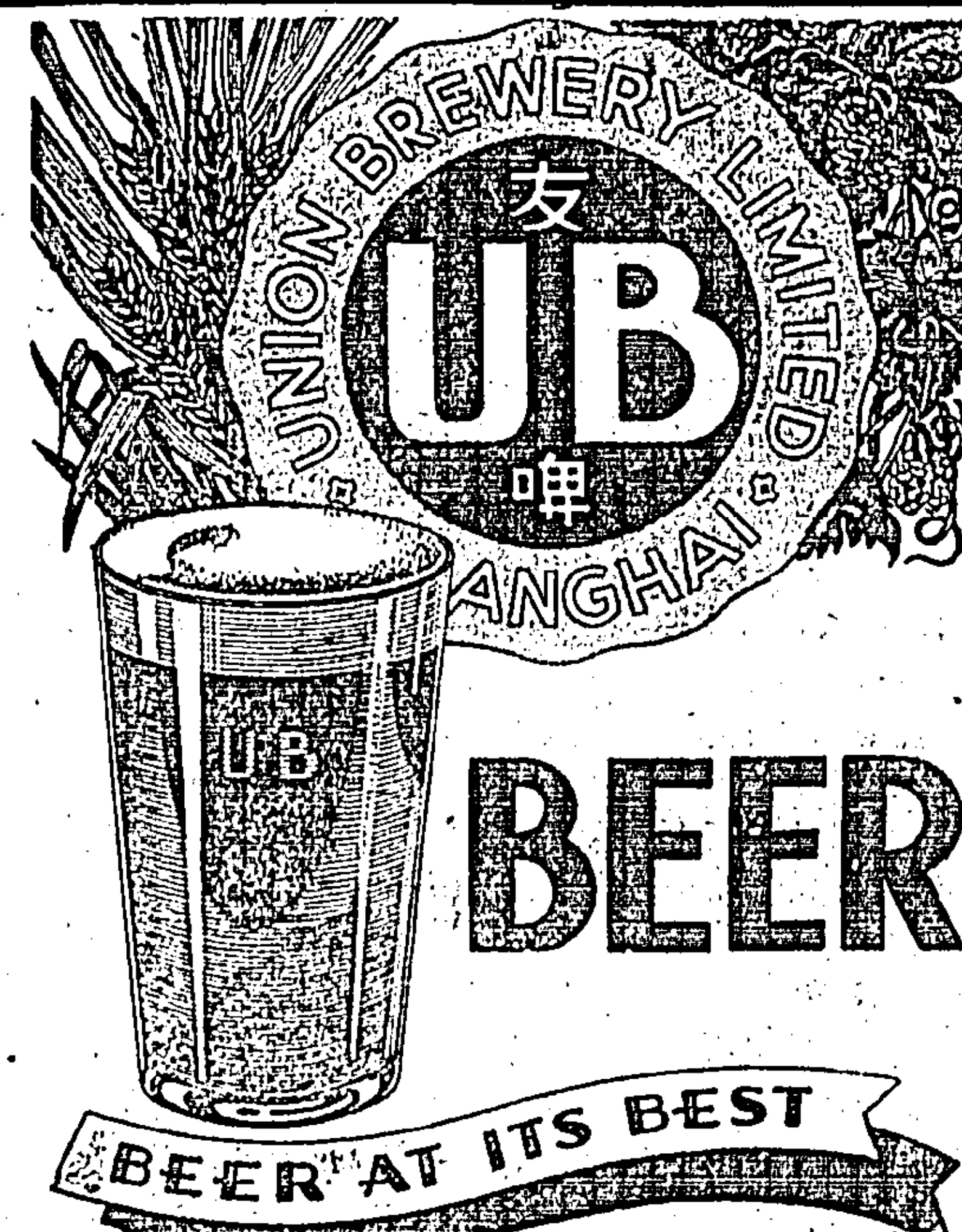


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Cup Final Teams Took His "Medicine" Gland Expert Plans to be 120 Seeks £10,000 Life Policy

Potters Bar, Heris.
MR. A. MENZIES SHARPE, the man who introduced gland treatment to the Cup Final teams, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Portsmouth, plans to live to 120.

He is so sure he can do it that he is taking out a life insurance policy for £10,000, payable on his 120th birthday.

Although tall, well-built Mr. Sharpe is 53, he looks 40.

Why? Because he takes his own "medicine"—the animal gland extracts which he makes for the football teams.

Mr. Sharpe talked about his plans in his laboratory, part of a beautiful old manor house in Hertfordshire.

"You may think it fantastic," he said, "but I mean business when I want a quotation for a £10,000 policy payable on my 120th birthday."

"I AM PREPARED TO PAY THE PREMIUM NOW IN ONE SUBSTANTIAL LUMP SUM."

"Already I have approached two insurance companies, who told me politely that they would first have to work out new actuarial figures."

"As this is in the nature of a challenge, I am giving all leading British insurance companies an opportunity to quote me a premium."

Formerly a mining engineer, Mr. Sharpe first became interested in glands, or the science of endocrinology, as a hobby.

Ten years ago his hobby became his full-time job.

HOT FAVOURITES

In the summer of 1937 Wolverhampton adopted Mr. Sharpe's gland treatment to build up a team of super players.

To-day the Wolves are hot favourites to win the Cup, and also have a sporting chance of winning the League championship.

Apart from giving players increased speed, stamina, and staying power (as football has proved), gland extracts, according to Mr. Sharpe, give the answer to man's centuries-old quest for prolonged youth and a longer life-span.



Holding up a phial of clear, amber liquid, he said: "This contains gland extracts from a number of animals—oxen, sheep, rabbits."

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"I FORESEE THE DAY WHEN TO LIVE TO 100 YEARS WILL BE CONSIDERED NORMAL."

There is a potential fortune for Mr. Sharpe in gland products, but he has no desire to become a millionaire.

"My policy is altruistic rather than commercial," he said.

"As the demand for gland extracts increases, I shall be able to reduce the prices."

"Already the cost of twelve injections, as supplied to doctors, has been reduced from £20 to £5, and further reductions will soon be possible."

"I shall be content if the business pays without profit to myself."

In any case Mr. Sharpe feels he

King Zog, left, who called upon his people to defend their nation against the Italians, is shown in Tirana, his capital city, recently, as he reviewed some of his troops. With him is Queen Geraldine, who fled to Greece, a few days after the birth of her baby son, Prince Skanderbeg.

'Morals Are Terrible'

AN astonishing attack on the morals of home life in King's Lynn, Norfolk, has been made by the Vicar of St. John's, the Rev. E. W. Allworthy, at his annual church meeting.

He declared that children barely five years old will use foul language in the streets.

"This terrible crime," said Mr. Allworthy, "is thrown upon them from ungodly parents of all but pagan homes."

HOMES POLLUTED

"The results when they reach maturity hardly bear thinking about. Worse than that, many homes are broken up or polluted because men and women are living in sin and satisfying their carnal appetites like brute beasts that have no understanding."

"Some of us would be surprised if we knew the number of men and women in this town who are breaking up homes in this way."

Mr. Allworthy said no doubt some people would suggest that he was a prude, and so try to whitewash their black sin."

EMPIRE NEWS

CZECH CONSULATE IN SYDNEY CLOSED

SYDNEY.
Dr. E. Kvetoň, Consul-General of Czechoslovakia in Sydney, handed over recently the consulate to the German Consul-General here, Dr. R. Asmus.

He was acting on instructions from Prague, and these apply to consulates throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Mr. W. M. Hughes, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, states, however, that the Commonwealth will not recognise the German Consul as representing Czechoslovakia unless Britain gives de jure recognition of the German annexation.

Dr. Kvetoň is returning to Prague by the United States.

KENYA

MR. GROVER TO WORK IN UGANDA

MOMBASA.

Mr. Brian Grover, the London engineer who was arrested in Russia last year after flying there to bring back his wife, they were on their way to Entebbe, Uganda, where Mr. Grover is to work as a drilling engineer on the oil concession of the African and European Investment Co.

Mrs. Grover, who still speaks very little English, was delighted to meet a compatriot here, a woman who lives in Mombasa and who has had no opportunity to converse in her own language for many months.

After his release from prison in Moscow Mr. Grover intended to return to his post with a London engineering firm, but later accepted this appointment in Uganda.

INDIA

LEAVE PAY TO RANK FOR TAXATION

CALCUTTA.
Leave pay is to rank for taxation under India's new income-tax legislation. Both officials and ordinary members of the public proceeding overseas on leave will be affected.

Among the first officers of the Government of India to be affected will be Sir James Grigg, the Finance member, who sails this month on leave pending his return to the English Civil Service in a post at the War Office.

Indians in South Africa.—Reports from South Africa suggest that the Union Parliament may postpone consideration of the bills giving local authorities power to segregate Indians. It is believed that this reprieve is an acknowledgment of the strong protest by the Government of India against the anti-Indian agitation in South Africa.

SOUTH AFRICA

FEWER NATIVE MINE WORKERS DIE

JOHANNESBURG.

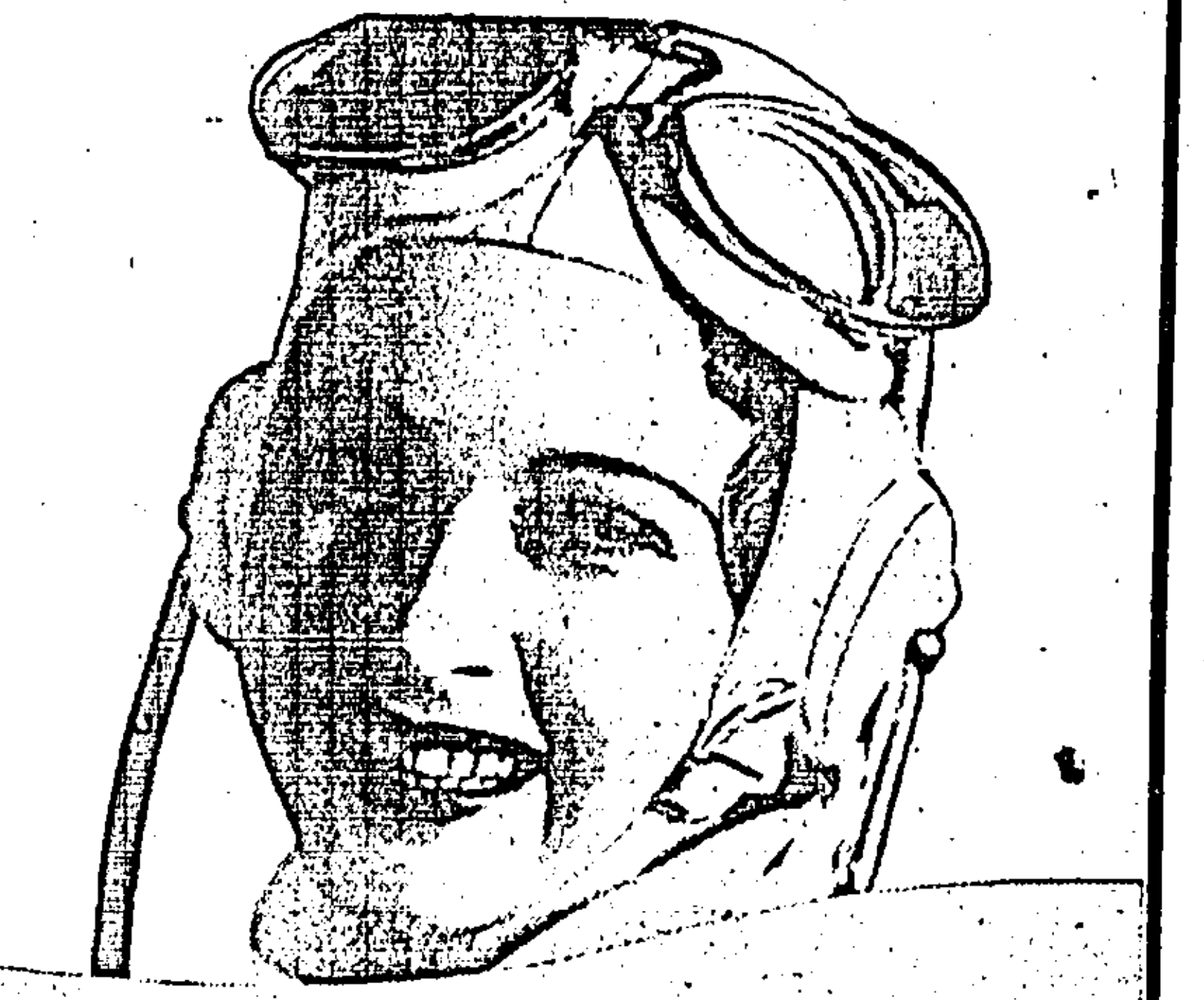
The annual report of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Mines, discusses the striking success that has attended efforts to safeguard the health of natives on the Rand.

"There can no longer be any objection by the Government concerned to the employment of Natives in the gold mines on the grounds of health," the report states.

The pneumonia death rate among natives working in the mines has dropped from 10.25 per thousand in 1937 to 3.41 in 1938, and the rate for all diseases from 18.18 to 8.00.



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Girl Of 12 Has A "Perm"

'She Ought To Be Spanked' Says Judge

"I NEVER heard of such nonsense," said Judge Richardson recently, when he was told that 12-year-old Ruth Harrison, of Millfield, Sunderland, had been to have her hair "permed."

"If a child of this age gets burned while having her hair waved," he went on, "I should be inclined to say that it serves her jolly well right."

"It might prove an advantage for her to be pulled up in her somewhat precocious vanity."

With these words, Judge Richardson, who was sitting at Sunderland County Court, found for a hair-dresser against whom the child had claimed £15 for burning her hair.

"FOOLISH WASTE"

"A child of 12 who wants to have her hair permanently waved should be taken over her mother's knee and spanked," he said.

"The girl must have very foolish parents to spend 3s. 6d. on having her hair permanently waved. It is a foolish waste of money."

"It is probable that the girl has now got a very good lesson in not being vain and foolish—a lesson, apparently, which she could not have got from her parents."

"A child of 12 prinking herself out!"

"SMELLED BURNING"
The girl alleged that she had been left in a cubicle with electrically heated irons in her hair while the assistant went for luncheon.

"She smelled something burning and knocked on the wall of the ad-joining cubicle to call another assistant who turned off the current. These allegations were denied."

Anne, The Girl Who Obeyed

LITTLE Anne Banwell, aged five, had been told never to go to her mother's bedroom and never to get up from bed until she was called.

One day recently she lay playing in bed at her home in Northwood, near Watford, waiting for her mother's call.

Her mother did not come.

Four mornings later, when helpers broke into the house, the child was still in bed.

"I'm waiting for mummy," she whimpered, and covered under the bedclothes.

Her mother, Mrs. Kathleen Banwell, was found dead in a nearby bedroom.

The child had to be coaxed to eat, it was stated at the inquest on the mother, and refused to be dressed, saying, "No, Mummy wants to get up first."

She would not approach her mother's bedroom.

A verdict of death from natural causes was returned.

Mrs. Banwell was the wife of Mr. J. E. Banwell, acting Commissioner of Police in Hertfordshire. Mr. Banwell is on his way home.

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were
issued on the Hongkong Stock Market
this morning:

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$.....1.380 a.
H.K. Banks, Lon. \$.....85 n.
Chartered \$.....7 3/4 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....27 n.
Mercantile, C. \$.....13 n.
East Asia \$.....80 n.

INSURANCES
Canton \$.....225 b.
Unions \$.....442 1/2 a.
China Underwriter \$.....1.30 n.
H.K. Fire \$.....180 n.

SHIPPING
Douglas (S. S.) \$.....67 b.
Steamboats \$.....15 n.
Indo-China, P. \$.....4 1/2 a.
Indo-China, D.S. \$.....24 n.
Shell Bearers \$.....81/10 1/2 n.
Waterboats \$.....8.40 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$.....101 b.
Docks \$.....101 b.
Presidents \$.....4 1/2 a.
New Eng. Sh. \$.....7.05 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh. \$.....100 1/2 n.

MINING
Kullian \$.....17/6 n.
Rauis \$.....8.55 n.
Venz Goldfield \$.....3 n.
Hongkong Mines etc. \$.....4 n.
Atmos. P. \$.....31 sa.
Atmos. P. \$.....31 sa.

LANDS
Hotels \$.....5.50 b.
Lands \$.....33 1/4 n.
Lands 4 1/2 deb. \$.....100 n.
Shai Lands Sh. \$.....8.85 n.
Humphreys \$.....7 3/4 b.
H.K. Realities \$.....4.10 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....102 n.

UTILITIES
Trams \$.....10.45/10 1/2 sa.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....8 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....4 n.
Star Ferries \$.....65 b.
Y. Ferries (S. S.) \$.....22.60 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....8.30 a.
China Lights (new) \$.....5 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric \$.....55 1/2 a.
Macao Electric \$.....10.80 n.

TELEPHONES
Sandakan Lights \$.....12 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....22 1/2 a.
Telephones (new) \$.....7 1/4 n.
Traction \$.....21/2 n.
Traction \$.....21/2 n.

INDUSTRIAL
Cold Macg. (Ind.), Sh. \$.....14 n.
Cold Macg. (Pro.), Sh. \$.....13 n.
Canton Ice \$.....1 b.
Cements \$.....12.80 n.
H.K. Ropes \$.....3.60 n.

STOCKS
Dairy Farm (ex. rts.) \$.....21 s.
Dairy Farm (rta.) \$.....21 s.
Watsons \$.....7 3/4 n.
Lano Crawfords \$.....8 n.
Sinceres \$.....1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....45 b.
Powell, Ltd. \$.....1 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$.....18 1/4 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....113 n.
Zoong Sings, Sh. \$.....30 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$.....40 n.

MISC.
H.K. Entertainment \$.....6 1/2 b.
Constructions \$.....1 1/4 n.
Vibro Piling \$.....7 1/2 a.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$.....0.4% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 3 1/2% prm. b.
H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/2% par. b.
Marsmans (Lond.) \$.....14/4 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) \$.....4/2 n.

MANILA SHARES
Closing prices through Reuters:
Old Prices Closing
May 6 May 7
Antamok \$.....31 Unq.
Atok \$.....31 Unq.
Baguio Gold \$.....110 Unq.
Balabon \$.....110 Unq.
Benguet \$.....23 Unq.
Bing \$.....23 Unq.
Coco Grove \$.....22 1/2 Unq.
Cons. Mines \$.....22 1/2 Unq.
Demeter \$.....22 1/2 Unq.
I. K. L. \$.....22 Unq.
Mababla \$.....22 Unq.
Mina Operations \$.....22 Unq.
North Camarines \$.....22 Unq.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Fifty-Eighth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 18th May, 1939, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 4th May to the 18th May, 1939, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents,
Hongkong, 27th April, 1939.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Fifty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 25th May, 1939, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 18th May to the 8th June, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISYA.
Hongkong, 8th May, 1939.

SWIMMING RECORD

SOLINGEN, May 7.—Arthur Helna to-day established a world swimming record by swimming 500 metres breast stroke in 7 minutes 13 seconds, the previous record being held by the American Higgins in 7 minutes 10 8/10 seconds.—*Reuter.*

Paracelsa Guinea \$.....1.00 Unq.
San Maurice \$.....1.02 Unq.
Surigao Cons. \$.....23 2 1/2 Unq.
Suyoc Cons. \$.....23 2 1/2 Unq.
Syndicate Inver \$.....23 2 1/2 Unq.
United Paracelsa \$.....50 50 Unq.

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

Prices were mixed on the Manila Stock Exchange with few stocks showing changes. Surigao and North Camarines lost 1/2 and 2 centavos respectively. San Maurice gained 2 centavos and Benguet Consolidated gained 10 centavos. Yesterday's volume in Pesos amounted to 539,700.

ITALY AND GERMANY REACH AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID

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ment on the German-Italian military and political pact until more is known of it, but there is no feeling here that Poland's international position in any possible negotiations over Danzig has been weakened by the pact.

The view is held unofficially that the pact has been forced on an unwilling Italy, which has no desire to see a European conflict over Danzig. At the same time, it is thought likely that only after receiving assurances of moderation from Germany could Mussolini have agreed to such a pact.

The press leaves no doubt that it is now for Germany to decide the future of Polish-German relations.

The "Gazeta Polska," the official Government organ hopes that Germany will choose the way of peace, and will begin negotiations on the basis outlined by Colonel Beck in his speech.—*Reuter.*

Agreement Final
ROME, May 7.—The Italian Government announced that the political and military agreement concluded as the result of the negotiations between the German and Italian Foreign Ministers at Rome is designed to make German-Italian Axis relations final.—*Domel.*

London Belief
London, May 7.

High diplomatic sources in London reveal that the Indo-German pact was agreed upon after France had ignored the apparent "invitation" from Italy to settle the Franco-Italian dispute.

About ten days ago, it was revealed, Italy gave France the first hint of terms for closing the dispute. The invitation did not make territorial claims against France.

It is also understood that Britain urged France to open negotiations with Mussolini in the hope of removing friction. However, the French Premier was reluctant to take such action, feeling that no concessions would induce Mussolini to abandon his anti-French policy.—*United Press.*

"Real Military Alliance"
Berlin, May 7.

A spokesman of the Ministry of Propaganda to-day told the "United Press":

"The military pact announced at Milan is regarded here as a real military alliance."

It is believed that the pact is intended to deal another blow at the democracies.

Most diplomatic quarters feel that there is no reason to suppose that Japan will suddenly change her attitude towards a military alliance, since it is considered that Japan is delaying her decision until she has some idea of the direction of Russia's foreign policy.

The "Deutscher Dienst," commenting on the new alliance, says:

The pact is a smashing refutation of the allegations of the agitators reflecting on the firmness of the Axis and casting doubts on its unity. It is also a destroying stroke against the aggressive policy of encirclement.—*United Press.*

Italy Surprised

ROME, May 7.

The decision to make the Axis a military alliance has come as a great surprise to the Italian public, since only this morning, Signor Gayda writing in the "Voce di Italia," gave the assurance that there would be no new agreements or surprises from the Milan conferences.

Italians believe that Mussolini would not have entered a formal military pact unless he has obtained definite assurances that Hitler will support Italy's claims in the Mediterranean against France.—*United Press.*

Solidarity Of Axis

BERLIN, May 7.

The Italo-German pact represents the logical continuation of the policy pursued by the Fuehrer and Hitler, says the inspired "Deutscher Dienst."

A political commentator says that the pact had its origin in the encirclement policy, and is regarded as a demonstration to the world of the solidarity of the Axis, and that hopes to break the Axis were asking vain.

Foreign quarters are asking whether the pact may attract other friends of the Axis, such as Spain, Japan and Hungary to join in a military anti-Comintern pact.—*Reuter Special.*

FIGHTING IN TWO CAPITALS

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ing denied reports that Chinese guerrillas had reached outlying streets in Canton, and that street fighting occurred yesterday.

He stated that there were no Chinese regulars or irregulars within at least 30 miles of Canton, adding that the report may have arisen from yesterday's imposition of martial law, which was partly enforced owing to rumours of the presence of armed Chinese irregulars in the city.

Nevertheless, a thorough combing-out had revealed no armed Chinese, those arrested comprising suspected looters and bandits.

Foreigners, including "Reuter's" correspondent, travelling in the city after the curfew had been lifted at 1 p.m. discovered no excitement among the populace, or unusual Japanese troop concentrations in the streets.—*Reuter.*

The P. and O. liner Runchi left Singapore on Saturday and is due here on Wednesday at about 11 a.m.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London 1s 2 1/4
Demand 1s 2 1/4
T.T. Shanghai 177
T.T. Singapore 52 1/2
T.T. Japan 105
T.T. India 18 1/4
T.T. U.S.A. 28 1/4
T.T. Manila 57 1/2
T.T. Batavia 53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok 15 1/4
T.T. Saigon 107 3/4
T.T. France 10.60
T.T. Germany 7 1/4
T.T. Switzerland 127
T.T. Australia 1/6 1/4

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4 m/s L/c London 1/3
4 m/s D/p do. 1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A. 20 1/2
4 m/s France 11.22
30 d/s India 23 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in Lon. 4.68 1/2

NEXT MOVE IS UP TO GERMANY

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has stated her thesis and has nothing more to say.—*United Press.*

Hymn Of Hate

Berlin, May 6.

In scathing headlines, the German press complains about Polish "atrocity" against Germans in the Polish Corridor, and Col. Beck and Poland must accept responsibility for any developments which may occur, the papers state.

It is recalled that a similar campaign was made by the press during the deterioration of German relations with Austria and Czechoslovakia.

MILAN, May 7.—It was learned from circles close to the Italian Government that Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, during his conversation with Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, disclosed the German Government's intention of settling the Danzig problem "in accordance with the wishes of the majority of the people in the Free City."

Settlement of the Danzig issue, in the opinion of the German Government, is necessary in order to eliminate the impediment to peace between Germany and Poland and there is no intention of menacing Poland's independence.

Germany will reject interference by Britain and France in the negotiations.

The German and Italian Foreign Ministers are understood to have been in complete accord with regard to the Balkan situation.

Informed quarters reveal that under the present agreement, Germany and Italy will decide upon their respective spheres of influence in the Balkans and maintain close co-operation in adjusting relations with the small countries.

Germany is reported to have pledged full support for Italy's Mediterranean and East African policies.—*Domel.*

REGISTERED LETTER.

Quarrel Between Postman And Sanitary Inspector

A summons for assault on March 20 brought by Li King-fai, Postman, against Tang Ho-yam, Sanitary Inspector, was dismissed by Mr. E. Hilmsworth at the Kowloon Magistrate on Saturday after evidence had been given by Tang.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ was present for the defence.

At a previous hearing, Li said that he was outside a house on Tse Road when Tang stopped him and struck him a blow on the nose.

Tang, in evidence, said the trouble arose after the Postman had refused to hand over a registered letter unless it was chopped with a chop registered in the Post Office. The Postman then left and was heard to make abusive remarks about him.

He went out and told the Postman he would report him, and the man then rolled up his sleeves to fight, so he hit him in self defence.

In discharging defendant, the Magistrate said it was obvious that some person was telling lies, and in view of the conflicting story and certain amount of doubt, he would have the summons dismissed.

YVONNE TAKEN ILL
Crooner Stricken With Appendicitis

In the midst of a party she was giving on Saturday at the Hongkong Hotel, Yvonne, the popular crooner at the Hongkong Hotel, was suddenly taken ill, and was rushed to the Connaught Hospital, where an operation for appendicitis was performed. She is progressing well and is out of danger, but she will be unable to resume her work for some weeks.

YOUTH FESTIVAL

The Confucius Hall, Hollywood Road, was full to capacity yesterday, when members from the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Students Christian Union and the Chinese News Reporters Club, participated in the celebration of the Youth Festival.

After speeches were delivered by various speakers, a programme of entertainment was provided.

LONDON HITCH WITH RUSSIA

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which would have revived the triple alliance against totalitarian expansion.

France has reiterated its bilateral Franco-Russian Mutual Aid Pact of 1935.

It is understood that Moscow has informed France that Russian policies envisage no isolationism or Russo-German rapprochement.

To-day's Cabinet meeting surveyed the foreign outlook, particularly the German-Polish crisis, Mr. Litvinoff's resignation, and the reported presence of German military technicians in Northern Italy.

In the French viewpoint, Britain's rejection of a military alliance with Russia does not imply the failure of the Anglo-French efforts to reach a working agreement for the guarantee of the political integrity of the State bordering Germany.—*United Press.*

Envoy Informed

London, May 6.

The Soviet Ambassador to London visited the British Foreign Office at 11 a.m.

He was in conference with Lord Halifax, who informed him regarding the British reply to Moscow's proposals for a tri-power military alliance.—*United Press.*

Counter Proposals

Paris, May 6.

The French Foreign Minister to-day reported to the French Cabinet on the progress of negotiations to bring Poland, Russia, Rumania and Turkey into the peace front.

He explained Britain's counter-proposals to Moscow's suggestion for a tri-power military alliance, and stressed the Pope's efforts in favour of peace.

The Cabinet approved and President Chamberlain signed decrees including defence precautions and reinforcing control of the foreign press in France.—*United Press.*

New Proposals

LONDON, May 7.—The British Foreign Office has forwarded new proposals to the British Ambassador to Moscow.

It is reliably stated that Britain is proposing that the Soviet should make a unilateral declaration of their intention to aid Rumania and Poland against aggression on the understanding that Britain and France have already gone to the aid of Poland and Rumania.

These proposals reject a military alliance or staff talks, although it is not specifically stated that these questions cannot be raised later.—*United Press.*

Text Received

Moscow, May 8.

The British Ambassador, Sir William Seeds, received the text of the British reply to the Soviet proposals to-day, and he will seek an interview with M. Molotov, the new Foreign Commissar on Monday.

Meanwhile Soviet officials and the newspaper are silent concerning Mr. Litvinoff's resignation.

According to a responsible Soviet spokesman, the press has not commented on foreign affairs for several weeks owing to the seriousness of the international situation, as the Government does not wish to make definite commitments.—*Reuter.*

ITALIAN POSITION CLAIMED STRONGER

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eral feeling in political circles in Berlin.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Mussolini To Speak

Rome, May 7.

It has been officially announced that Mussolini will visit Turin next Sunday. It is believed he will make an important speech.

It will be recalled that his visit to Turin has been postponed several times owing to the European situation.—*United Press.*

Pact Envisages War

BERLIN, May 8.—Informed political observers here declare that the German-Italian military alliance resulting from the Milan conference envisages a European war on the Polish issue.

The same circles understand that Germany and Italy are definitely prepared against a general conflagration likely to develop from the increasing rivalry between the Totalitarian and Democratic camps.

They point out that although the theoretical objective of the new military pact is Britain, France and other Powers aiding with them, the immediate objective of the Axis formula is Poland.

Following formal conclusion of the military pact between Germany and Italy, Hungary and Spain, co-signatories to the anti-Comintern pact, will eventually be invited to participate in the Pact.—*Domel.*

CONFIRMATION

Ceremony Performed At St. Andrew's Church

Parents and friends of nine boys and 18 girls were present at the St. Andrew's Church yesterday to witness their confirmation. The Rt. Rev. Bishop R. O. Hall conducted the service.

The candidates were: Boys—A. W. Lapley, A. Calman, F. Crabbe, R. Jan, R. H. Taylor, D. A. Hutchinson, T. L. Lockhart, D. Earton and D. W. Armit. Girls—J. U. Bradbury, H. W. Millington, E. Andrews, L. King, P. M. Morton, J. B. Carey, A. Chung, T. F. Kelly, J. F. Sayers, J. M. Barke, A. P. Nash, P. Lestby, J. R. Smith, E. Watson, V. M. Bradbury, J. V. Holloway, M. Woods and M. Gould.

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From	Per	Due.
Shanghai and Amoy	Taiyuan	May 8.
Shanghai	Lima Maru	May 9.
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	May 9.
Japan	Tsiresins	May 9.
Java and Manila	Tjisadane	May 9.
Australia and Manila	Taijing	May 9.
Manila	Emp. of Japan	May 9.
Tientsin and Swatow	Canow	May 10.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.)	Hueph	May 10.
London date, 13th April and London date, 13th April	Pres. Doumer	May 10.

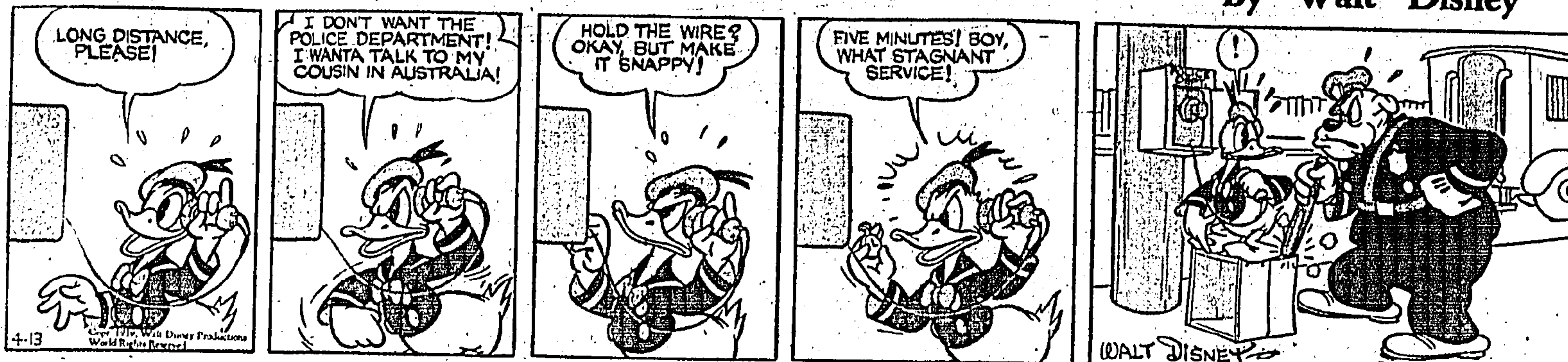
From	Per	Due.
Shanghai	Ranchi	May 10.
Shanghai	Taiyuan	May 10.
Japan	Tango Maru	May 10.
Straits	Bhutan	May 11.

From	Per	Due.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th May	Imperial Airways Plane	May 11.
Shanghai	Marchal Joffre	May 11.

From	Per	Due.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 3rd May	Pan American Airways plane	May 11.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 16th April)	Pres. Harrison	May 11.

Shanghai	Conte Rosso	May 14
Amoy	Tibadank	May 14
Japan	Toba Maru	May 16
Straits	Cremer	May 16
Manila	Granville	May 16
Shanghai	Mencstheus	May 16

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Praise For Police

Smart Work Leads To Arrests, Recovery Of Articles

SMART WORK on the part of the Police led to the arrest and conviction of five persons charged with burglary and receiving when they appeared on remand before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning.

They were concerned in the theft of property valued at \$1,125 from "Roadside," Mount Davis Road, on April 27. Articles worth \$1,070 were recovered by the Police.

Young Kim, 26, Lam Chuen, 32, and Li Ping, 28, all unemployed, pleaded guilty to burglary and theft of a Leica camera, a film camera, a projector, two fountain pens, an electric clock, a coffee percolator, four propelling pencils and a felt hat. Li was additionally charged with returning from banishment.

Chun Pui, 21, unemployed, pleaded not guilty to receiving stolen property consisting of a Leica camera, film camera, and two fountain pens, while a woman, Chan Ngan-ho, 22, who was arrested earlier in the week, was charged with receiving the film projector at Kowloon on May 1.

Mr. C. M. Gee, owner of the property, said he woke up about 6.30 a.m. on April 27 and was told by his boy that the house had been broken into. On going down to the study, he found that two little holes had been drilled into the door leading to the garden, and that the four bolts locking the door had been opened.

Cupboards and drawers in the rooms had been ransacked and contents scattered over the floor.

The value of the Leica camera was \$350, film camera \$260, and film projector \$425.

POLICE COMMENDED

After giving his evidence, Mr. Gee said he would like to commend the Police on their promptness in recovering the stolen property. Mr. Houston replied that he would pass on his commendation to the Commissioner of Police.

Evidence of arrest was given by Detective Wong Kee, who said that second and fifth defendants were husband and wife.

Li Ping, third defendant, told the Court he sold the two fountain pens and two cameras to Chan Pui for \$45. He said that he had brought the articles over from Macao.

Chan Pui, fourth defendant, said he was introduced to Li Ping by a friend. He did not know whether the articles were stolen or not, but had paid \$45 for them as Li said he wanted to sell them as he had no money to spend.

Witness said he considered the articles were worth about \$140 when new.

Chan Ngan-ho, fifth defendant, said her husband took her to an address in Shanghai Street where she was told to take a parcel to Kowloon. The parcel was wrapped in newspaper, and she was told it was a parcel of clothes. She was stopped and arrested by a district watchman while carrying the parcel near the Mong Kok Ferry wharf.

Fourth and fifth defendants were then found guilty by Mr. Houston, who said he was satisfied that they had guilty knowledge that the articles were stolen property.

Detective Sergeant R. Macvey said second defendant had a conviction for larceny in 1928, and fourth defendant two previous convictions for receiving stolen property.

First four defendants were sentenced to six months' hard labour each, and recommended for banishment, while fifth defendant was given three months' hard labour.

SHARK CAUGHT

Big Specimen Landed Outside Lyemun

A "shark fishing" party comprising Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders, Mr. Lau Man-lee, Mr. Tso Ho-sun, and Mr. Wong Kwok-ching, had a successful day out on Saturday morning. After the bait had been in the water for two and a half hours a 95 lbs. shark was caught.

The party left Shaikwan at 7 a.m. and proceeded to "fish" grounds a mile outside Lyemun. The shark, which was five feet ten inches long, only took the sportmen four minutes to surface.

Mr. Wong, of the Sun Co., Ltd., in the 1938 season, caught five sharks which varied from about five feet to seven feet in length.

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Mr. Edward Wilshaw, the Chairman of Cable and Wireless Limited, announces that the offer of free messages made to the Public of the Empire on May 1 has been "an overwhelming success."

The Public in all the Empire areas concerned availed themselves to the full of this opportunity of sending messages about themselves and their personal affairs.

A great number of telegrams passed between the troops overseas and the mother country. The file of traffic was particularly heavy with Australia and New Zealand.

Still They Come

So remarkable was the volume of messages, far exceeding anything that could have been anticipated or has ever before been experienced in the telegraph industry, that the telegrams on hand for transmission.

In introducing the new service in this way it was hoped that something like 100,000 messages might be received.

It is not yet possible to give complete figures because in addition to messages from and to Great Britain particulars have still to be obtained regarding telegrams from and to the Colonies, Dominions and Inter-Colonial traffic but it is already known that the number of messages exceeded a quarter of a million.

Telegraph Record

This multiplies several times anything ever known in telegraph history for one day's traffic.

It is regarded as an indication of the great need that existed for the new service and the general nature of the messages shows that entirely new ground has been opened up.

This vast volume of extra traffic has, of course, been handled without any interference with the large volume of commercial traffic which is normally carried.

Air Force Escort For Ambassador

TOKYO, May 8.

ESCORTED BY a squadron of 24 high-speed pursuit planes, Sir Archibald Clark, the British Ambassador to China, accompanied by Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek, and other high Chinese officials, arrived at Chengtu, from Chungking at noon on Saturday.

Accompanying the Generalissimo to Chengtu were General Chen Cheng, Defence Commander at Chungking, and General Ho Kuo-chung, Defence Commander at Chungking.

Immediately upon arrival at Chengtu, General Chiang and General Chen proceeded to the Central Army Academy where the Generalissimo presided over an emergency military conference with Szechwan military leaders to make arrangements for the removal of the National Government from Chungking.—Domei.

Third defendant, Li Ping, was given an additional six months' hard labour for returning from banishment.

Soviet-Turkish Accord

MOSCOW, May 7.—"A community of views and aspirations for the reinforcement of friendship between the two States in the interest of world peace," was established at Ankara in talks between M. Potemkin and Turkish Ministers, states the official Soviet news agency.—Reuter.

C. In C. Becomes An Admiral

The official salute of an Admiral, seventeen guns, was given by the Commodore this morning as the flag of Admiral Sir Percy Noble was hoisted at the main in H.M.S. Kent.

Sir Percy Noble, Commander in Chief of the China Station, was recently appointed Admiral, and the appointment was announced to-day. He has also been re-appointed Commander-in-Chief of the China Station.

MARTIAL LAW IN CANTON

Canton, May 7.

Chinese troops to-day recaptured the town of Sunkei, the fourth station north of Canton on the Canton-Hankow Railway.

The situation in the city is critical at the moment and machine gun units and small tanks are patrolling the streets following the outbreak last night of fighting in the outskirts of the city when a band of guerrillas had a brush with a Japanese detachment.

The Chinese are growing increasingly active both on the main front and behind the lines, and while heavy fighting is believed to be in progress further up the line where there is a determined Chinese pressure on the towns held by Japanese garrisons, around Canton there appears to be greatly increased guerrilla activity which culminated in last night's daring attack by a band of Chinese. Japanese nervousness is apparent and the city is apprehensive under martial law.—United Press.

Martial Law Proclaimed

Canton, May 7.

Martial law was declared in the city early this morning lasting until 1 p.m. owing to cleaning up of looters and armed robbers throughout the city.—Reuter.

Two Hundred Killed

Shiukwan, May 7.

A Japanese offensive was unsuccessfully made on Sunkei, on the Canton-Hankow Railway north of Canton, on May 3.

Six hundred attacked the station. The engagement continued until next evening when Chinese artillery units participated and assumed a counter-offensive. The Japanese withdrew, leaving over 200 dead.

Some of the Japanese positions in Kungtsun were reported destroyed by Chinese artillery fire.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

Shaping Re-taken

Shiukwan, May 7.

Following their successes in recapturing the city of Hoshan and Kukfow, the Chinese re-captured Shaping, north-east of the city of Hoshan, on May 5 and drove the Japanese back across the West River to Kowkong.

Japanese planes raided the Chinese in Shaping in the afternoon. Bombs were released on the highway station and the Nanshan Middle School.

The seat of the magistracy will be removed to Shaping shortly.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

Troop Movements

Shekiki, May 7.

Japanese troop movements are witnessed in Canton. Five hundred pro-Japanese north-east troops in Honan were dispatched to reinforce Kungtsun by the Canton-Hankow Railway on May 5.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

RUSSIA DOES NOT WANT WAR

(Continued from Page 6.)

They confessed that the first time they stood on the edge of an airplane and prepared to jump was pretty trying. But the thrill, they said, was worth it.

The Soviet military authorities are strenuously encouraging this kind of sport. It is one of their ways of making the population air-minded. Several times military manoeuvres have been staged in which whole companies of soldiers have been dropped behind the enemy's line.

Some military experts laugh at this kind of stunt as "magnificent, but not war." Russia, however, is planning and training with her enormous land mass in mind.

If hostilities should break out, any invading force may have cause to remember Napoleon.

Russia may prove, easier to get into than to get out of.

The Rev. K. L. Richelt will be the speaker at the usual weekly meeting of the Peace Pledge Union on Wednesday, the subject of his talk being "A message of peace from Moscow." The meeting will be held at 5.30 p.m. in the Challenge Bookshop, Ico House Street.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

May 8, 1889.

The French army for 1889 stands at 515,627 men and 23,794 horses; the strength of the German army is fixed at 492,000 men, with about 85,000 horses; the Austrian army numbers 301,032 men, with 62,362 horses and the Italian army 355,000 men, with a proportionate number of horses.

Two years ago the chief man in Europe, perhaps in the world, was Bismarck, the Iron Chancellor backed by the Kaiser and presiding by the Emperor. He made or unmade kingdoms, and kept Germany by the irresistible force of an unbroken will the leader of Europe. He was Reich-Kanzler, playing the nations, like puppets on a wire, against each other, keeping an iron grip on his power in his state and pushing his Empire into Africa and the Pacific Islands. Knew no obstacles, and plans he made he finished with success. But his end seems to be in change.

Since then his every move seems to have miscarried. Russia, the cloud on the Eastern horizon, grows more and more threatening. Prince Herbert, by his melodramatic and morbid attacks, he only showed his inability to be the next Reich-Kanzler, but injured the Kaiser's confidence in him.

The cold reception of the triple alliance. The outbreak of the young Kaiser. The German advance in Africa. The failure of the German fleet in the Pacific Ocean. Success has been his for years and now the very magnitude of his former successes is attacking his future. The more significant. Is it the beginning of his decline?

Photographing the foot instead of the face is the latest craze in the fashionable circles of Europe and America. This doesn't mean of course, photographing two neat boots resting on a chair with an inch of stocking above them, but the fashion is to take a picture of the foot in some of these pictures, and the amount of this is steadily increasing. As usual, the American is the leader in this. A good deal of the foot is being photographed, and the foot is being photographed, and the foot is being photographed.

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Prison For Policeman

Indian Constable Appeals In Vain

SENTENCED TO three months' hard labour by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest on two charges of extortion, Piara Singh, an Indian Constable, brought an appeal against his conviction before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor in the Appeal Court this morning.

The appeal was dismissed. Appellant was arrested in Wanchai last month by Mr. T. J. Houston, Third Magistrate, who saw him asking a Chinese named Chan Hing to extort two cents from two hawkers.

Unrepresented by Counsel, appellant told His Lordship that he did not ask anybody to extort money and that nobody saw him do so. He did not know who Chan Hing was and he could not have spoken to him as he did not know Chinese.

His Lordship pointed out that Mr. Houston had given evidence to the effect that he saw the appellant talking to Chan and that shortly afterwards he saw the latter approaching the hawkers.

Appellant denied this was true and said he only saw Chan when he was ordered by Mr. Houston to arrest him.

"I Have No Friends"

"I ask your Lordship," appellant continued, "to take pity on me because I am a new man and that it was only on the evidence of Chan Hing that I was convicted. I have no friends or relatives to help me, nor have I any means in Hongkong to engage a lawyer to defend me."

On behalf of the Commissioner of Police, who was named as respondent, Mr. J. B. Prentiss, Assistant Crown Solicitor, submitted that there was ample evidence to justify the conviction. The testimony of Chan Hing had been corroborated by Mr. Houston and there was also the evidence of the two hawkers as to the actual demand.

His Lordship dismissed the appeal, saying he saw no ground at all for interfering with the Magistrate's conclusion on the evidence.

British Ships Obtain Trade Increased Tonnage In Japan's Ports

TOKYO, May 8.—British vessels entering Japanese ports during the first quarter of this year show an increase of some 21 per cent. on the corresponding figures for last year, according to the Ministry of Finance.

During the first four months of this year, it is estimated that 592 ships, totaling 2,446,874 tons, of British ownership entered Japanese ports, giving British ships the lead among foreign vessels.

Norwegian vessels came second, with 240 ships, to take the lead from Chinese vessels, which dropped from a total of 320 for the same period last year, to 266 this year.—Domei.

Franco Orders Demobilisation

MADRID, May 7.—A decree has been issued which provides for the demobilisation of three classes of General Franco's army by May 15, comprising roughly 150,000 men aged 30, 31, and 32.

At the end of the war, the Nationalists had in service men from 19 to 32, whereas the Republican army extended from 17 to 45.—Reuter Special.

Misja Arrives in Cuba

HAVANA, May 6.—General Misja, former Spanish Loyalist leader, has arrived here en route to Mexico. He is accompanied by his wife and four children aboard the steamer Orbita.—United Press.

and Canton's naval forces is expected at any moment.

5 YEARS AGO

May 8, 1934.

An appeal to the United States to take the lead in a movement towards the reduction of war for the last 10 years was made to-day by Mr. Henry Wallace, U.S. Secretary for Agriculture, when he delivered a broadcast address.

His discourse, he said, was planned mid-day, course, between nationalism and internationalism which was the only sensible way out of the present foreign trade situation.

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12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Charles Kullman (Tenor) and New Light Symphony Orchestra. On the Road To Mandalay (Kipling-Speaks); I'm Falling in Love (Young-Herbert); Smilin' Through (Penn); Charles Kullman (Tenor); The Orchestra; Cavatina (Raff); Dance of The Hours (La Gioconda)—Ponchielli; Triana (Albeniz orchestrated by Arbos); Spanish Dance No. 3 (Granados); New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.0 Time and Weather. 1.03 Latest Dance Numbers. Nice People—Deep In A Dream; Orchestra; Harry Roy and His Orchestra; Waltz—Shall Always Remember You Smiling; Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Quick-step—You Must Have Been A Beautiful Baby (Film "Hard to Get"); Tango—Romany; Jack Harris and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Lambeth Walk; Tango On My Pillow; Romance—Munro and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Love Is Where You Find It (Film "Garden of the Moon"); Fox-Trot—Mildred Bailey and Her Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Dvorak—Concerto In B Minor, Op. 104. The Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Georg Szell. 2.15 Close down. 6.0 "For the Children."

Singing Games For Young Children; Intro: I-Usket I-usket; Old King Cole; Jack and Jill; Jingle Bells; Little Boy Blue; The King of France; Lazy Mary will you get up; Hot Cross Buns; Rumpy Dumpty; Little Tommy Tucker; Harry Somnik and His Orchestra; Singing Games For Children; Water, Water, Wallflower (Trad. arr. Chalmers Wood); The Mulberry Bush (Trad. arr. Chalmers Wood); Chalmers Wood; Orchestra; Studio-Serial Story; Medley; Shirley Temple Songs from the Film "Fanny"; Little Rich Girl; Henderson Twins with Orchestra.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

THEFT OF BEE-HIVE

Sick Indigent's Quest For Honey

That he had taken the bee-hive, as he had been told the honey would be good for his illness, was the excuse given by Mo Kwian, an unemployed, to Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy on Saturday, when he was charged with the theft from 22 Holy Cross Path, Shaikwan. He was also charged with theft of a hurricane lamp from a building under construction in Aldrich Street, Shaikwan, on April 22.

Inspector W. A. Russell said Mo was seen to cut the hive from where it was hanging outside the house at 1.30 a.m. on May 5 by the complainant, Lui Chau, a mechanic. Lui raised the alarm, and Mo bolted, but was caught. He later admitted the theft, of the hurricane lamp, which was recovered in a friend's hut.

Mo was bound over in \$100 to be of good behaviour for two years.

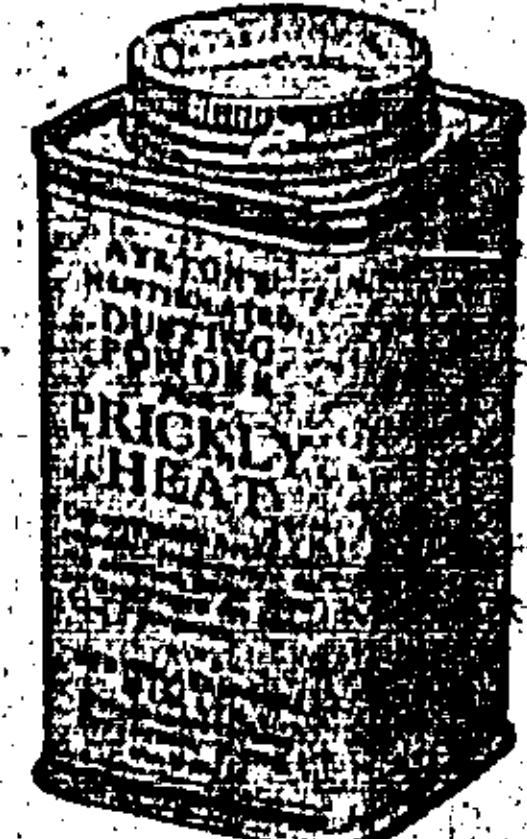
OLD MAN KILLED

Knocked Down by Tram At Wanchai

Falling to see an approaching tram-car when crossing the junction of Hennessy and Johnston Roads, Wanchai, on Saturday evening, a 4-year-old Chinese, who has not been identified, was knocked down. He suffered severe injuries and was sent to the Queen Mary Hospital, where he died shortly after admission.

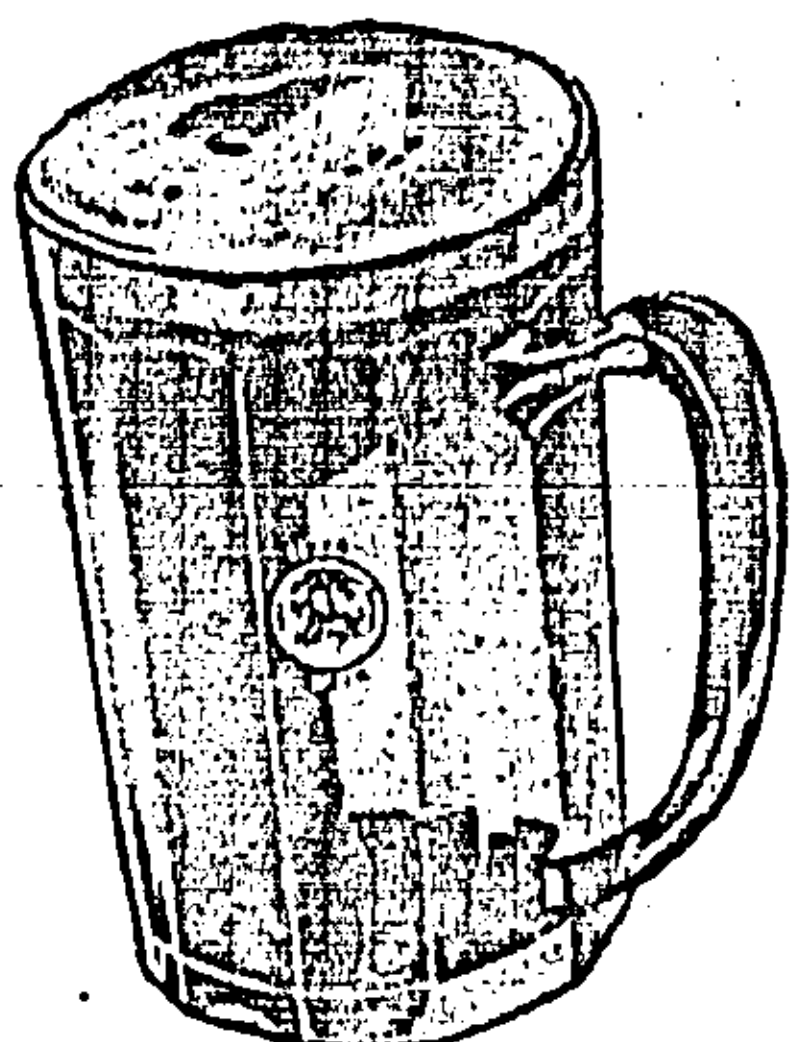
THEFT FROM CAR

Lt. T. M. Blake, R.N., of H.M.S. Falmouth, reports the loss of a rattan basket containing clothing to the value of \$65, from his car No. 5324, while it was parked at Long Hing Street.



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Lion and The Lambs

COLONEL BECK'S speech on Friday has dispelled the confusion about the precise understanding regarding Danzig. It means, in effect, that if Germany attempts to employ in the Free City the methods that gained her possession of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Memelland, Poland will resist with all the forces at her disposal. Be it remembered that the forces at Poland's disposal now includes Great Britain and France.

So far so good. At the same time the hope of everybody remains that the Germans and the Poles will settle their differences amicably.

It can be done. No hint of defiant aggression lay behind the Polish Foreign Minister's defence of "Anglo-Polish" policy, and his attitude throughout has been one of rectitude and repression.

It is inconceivable that anyone wants to go to war either on the issue of Danzig or the Polish Corridor, and there is no reason why discussions should not take place between Berlin and Warsaw which might result in settlement of the trouble without negotiation.

Poland, as Colonel Beck has revealed, is not intransigently opposed to any form of negotiation. On the contrary, the tradition of Polish foreign policy and the outlook disclosed by Colonel Beck suggest that they will always keep the door open for conciliation.

The key to the entire situation, as we see it, is Russia. The vital and, it may be, decisive part Russian co-operation must play in any effective attempt to solve Europe's problem is obvious. There have been specific assurances that this fact is appreciated by the British Government, which "is doing everything in its power to foster it."

But the quotation was made nearly a month ago. Actions are more credible witnesses than words. Unfortunately, there is evidence that the contacts between Britain and Russia have not been as close or as frequent as they should be.

While Britain dilly-dallies with Russia, Hitler is consolidating his position in the north and in the south. The military alliance with Italy, announced this morning, is a powerful weapon that will finally decide on which side Yugo-Slavia's bread is buttered. She has wavered since the annexation of Albania; she must now join the axis camp in sheer self-preservation.

Meanwhile, Germany concludes unilateral non-aggression pacts with the Baltic and Scandinavian States. She promises them individually that if they won't attack

her, she won't attack them. These States, in signing agreements on this basis with the Reich, cannot fail to recall with some trepidation that similar assurances were given regarding Austria and Czechoslovakia.

The German lion asks the lambs to lie down by its side. The difficulty for the lambs is that they cannot be sure whether the lion means them to lie down by its side or inside it. The unhappy experience of some of Germany's neighbours suggests the latter.

They include only part of the cost of building entire new cities along the eastern frontiers with the strengthening of national defence as their main raison d'être.

The only way of estimating the military strength of Russia or any other country is to take stock of its entire resources. Russia is well aware of that. It also knows that among a nation's resources the degree of technical skill and initiative possessed by its people ranks very high.

THE German soldier against whom they may have to measure their strength is a deadly and scientific killer. Among Germans there is a surfeit of skilled chemists and technicians. In 1914-18 the Germans killed three of the Allied soldiers for every two of their own men who fell.

Russia's High Command is planning with all that in mind. The Red Army has been thoroughly modernised and mechanised. The most advanced models obtainable anywhere in the world have been purchased.

There is only one doubtful point. Having been given the technical equipment, does the Red Army soldier know how to make the best of it?

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Soviet authorities frankly admit that here is the most vulnerable side of Russia's defences. Stalin, in an address to students in a military academy put the position baldly and forcibly: "With skilled technicians in sufficient numbers, Russia is invincible. Without them we are lame on both feet."

It is on this question that Russia is now concentrating. The Government is straining every nerve to develop a population with a high degree of technical efficiency. The entire nation, soldier and civilian alike, is in training.

In Russia there is no sense of a sharp division between the two. The one merges into the other. The army is associated with a network of semi-military sports organisations covering every school, farm, and factory in the land.

MILITARY training is compulsory in all Russian colleges. The students—the women as well as men—usually compete for the Voroshilov marksman's badge. I have one of those myself.

Even the children have caught the infection. I watched a group of them listening to a radio speech. Afterwards there was much excited discussion. They had been set a problem in military strategy and invited to send in their answers.

On a given date the correct solution was to be announced.

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It is the outward and visible sign that I am a crack shot with a rifle. Considering that any time I play darts I am as liable as not to miss even the board, I feel a bit unworthy. But it was presented to me in deadly seriousness by a group of students in Gorlovka Mining College, Don Bas.

As I was preparing to leave, the students marched into the hall in military formation and carried out this little ceremony.

To Russian youngsters these are no matters for jesting. They are learning to shoot, not for the fun of it, but because they believe that some day soon Russia may be drawn into war.

In the countryside this feverish preoccupation with military matters is as strong as in the cities. Every collective farm has its sports organisation, responsible for drilling the peasants.

On Russia's large farms tractors are universally in use. The newest tractors are convertible into tanks. The tractor drivers are given special training with military service in view.

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IS THIS THE PICTURE OF THE YEAR?

RUSSIA does not want WAR

THERE are long queues at every street corner in Moscow. It is not bread people are waiting for—it is news.

The latest edition of the evening paper will soon be out. Russians want to know what is happening in Germany and Poland.

Every one feels that war may be precipitated or substantially postponed according to the outcome of the present moves in these two countries.

Russia does not want war. It is prepared to make almost any concession in order to maintain peace. But war is believed inevitable and preparations are being made accordingly.

IN 1936 the Soviet Government spent more than three times its Budget estimate on national defence. It budgeted for an expenditure of 1,665,000,000 roubles.

It spent more than 5,000,000,000 roubles—that is about £100,000,000. At the same time a great campaign was begun to rouse the Russian people to the need of still greater expenditure.

They were warned that Japan was spending 46.5 per cent. of its Budget on armaments, while Russia spent only 10 per cent. Since then the military estimates have again been doubled.

These figures mean very little. They do not include the cost of civil aviation. They do not include the construction of tractors that can be transformed into tanks.

They do not include the doubling and trebling of wages offered to skilled engineers as an inducement to migrate with their families to the danger zones in the east and south.

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It is on this question that Russia is now concentrating. The Government is straining every nerve to develop a population with a high degree of technical efficiency. The entire nation, soldier and civilian alike, is in training.

In Russia there is no sense of a sharp division between the two. The one merges into the other. The army is associated with a network of semi-military sports organisations covering every school, farm, and factory in the land.

MILITARY training is compulsory in all Russian colleges. The students—the women as well as men—usually compete for the Voroshilov marksman's badge. I have one of those myself.

Even the children have caught the infection. I watched a group of them listening to a radio speech. Afterwards there was much excited discussion. They had been set a problem in military strategy and invited to send in their answers.

On a given date the correct solution was to be announced.

THE other day a Derbyshire girl decided to train as a parachutist. This was so unusual as to be reported in the English Press as "news." In Russia such sports, requiring a high degree of daring and initiative, have long ceased to be a novelty.

Any day in the summer you will see thousands of people in the city parks, parachute jumping from specially constructed towers. This is the preliminary part of their training.

Two of the chambermaids in my hotel in Moscow were qualified parachutists. A young waitress in a restaurant I sometimes ate in was impatiently waiting to take her final examinations.

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Duke Of Windsor To Broadcast

New York, May 7. The Duke of Windsor will broadcast to America to-morrow from the historic battlefield town of Verdun, where he is at present staying, according to a statement issued by the National Broadcasting Company of America. The broadcast will begin at 10 p.m. B.S.T.—*Reuter*.

The Fleet Cheer King And Queen

Empress of Australia, May 6. Radiating from the Royal liner, *Reuter's* special correspondent said that when Their Majesties came on board they found every detail of the two royal suites complete for their comfort and convenience. Two thousand men working on the ship had converted her in the short time available from a passenger liner to a royal yacht. Both suites were gay with flowers, but furnished with a view to practical comfort rather than luxury, the predominant colour being cream and dove grey. There was a special plug for the King's electric razor and a wireless set with complete list of Empire shortwave broadcasts. Their Majesties dined quietly to-night with members of the Royal suite and afterwards they listened to a concert of classical music and all about settled down to what promised to be one of the happiest of voyages, begun under perfect auspices. Earlier in the day, Their Majesties had watched the Atlantic Fleet farewells from the Bridge of the ship. The Queen wore dark spectacles as a protection against the bright evening sun, while the King used his field glasses. As the great liner passed, the cheers of the ratings manning the warships could be clearly heard and the band of the battleship *Rodney* played the National Anthem. As the liner left the Atlantic Fleet about 6.30 p.m., speed was increased to 17 knots, which will be maintained throughout the night. The escorting vessels, H.M.S. *Glasgow* and H.M.S. *Southampton* are on either side of the liner and H.M.S. *Repulse* follows astern.—*Reuter*.

AMERICAN WELCOME

London, May 6. When Their Majesties visit Washington they will be formally met by President and Mrs. Roosevelt, members of the Cabinet, diplomats and Congressmen.

There will be a ceremonial procession escorted by cavalry, armoured cars and 30 tanks to the White House, where Their Majesties will be guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt during their stay.—*Reuter*.

WARSHIP'S TOUR

London, May 6. The escorting warships, H.M.S. *Southampton* and H.M.S. *Glasgow*, will be at Quebec from May 15 to 19, at New York from May 24 to 31, at Halifax from June 9 to 15 and at Conception Bay on June 17, arriving back in the United Kingdom on June 22. H.M.S. *Southampton* will be at Boston from June 1 to 6, and H.M.S. *Glasgow* will be at St. John's, New Brunswick, from June 2 to 8.—*British Wireless*.

Leith-Ross Ends Talks In Bucharest

Bucharest, May 7. Before Sir Frederic Leith-Ross, economic adviser to the British Government, goes to Athens on Tuesday, it is expected that a memorandum will be initiated embodying the points of agreement reached between the British Economic Delegation and Rumania.

It is understood that a permanent mixed committee will be established to deal with the practical working of the new payments agreement and to co-operate with national and private interests on both sides to increase Anglo-Rumanian trade. British credit, it is understood, of £5,000,000 will be given mainly to purchase arms and for capital enterprises, like the construction of silos. Repayment will be partly through increased takings of wheat and oil by Britain. In order to aid the wheat trade in Rumania, minimum price regulations will be abolished, while the oil laws will be amended with a view to encouraging foreign oil companies to invest capital.—*Reuter Special*.

WRESTLER ALSO ART EXPERT

PHILADELPHIA. Dr. J. Lloyd Bohn, wrestling coach at Temple University, won't be lost for occupation when the grappling season ends. Aside from his mat activities, Coach Bohn, a doctor of philosophy, has constant calls for his services in X-ray art works to uncover forgeries.

The Whole Of Europe Anxiously Awaits The New Move

BOTH MUSSOLINI AND THE POPE SEEK SETTLEMENT BASIS

The speech of the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, has had favourable repercussions in most of the capitals of Europe, even Italy agreeing with its moderate tone and hinting that while the Axis remains as firmly welded as ever, it should be possible for Germany and Poland to find a common and peaceful basis of settlement.

A new factor in the political landscape is the appearance of Papal intervention and the promise of a broadcast speech to the Eucharistic Congress at Algiers that will indicate Pope Pius XII's desire that war should be prevented. An emissary of His Holiness had important conversations at Berlin which aim also at establishing more workable relations with the Reich.

German opinion has not found official expression yet but newspaper reactions show a disinclination to fall in line with Polish reasoning and play instead upon alleged atrocities against Polish patriots in Poland and the number of refugees who are fleeing from that country.

Brighton, May 6. Mr. Anthony Eden, addressing the Rotary International Conference, referred to Mr. Beck's speech as "a remarkable speech which might well serve as a model for statesmen, both for firmness and moderation."

"Among the services that the speech rendered, was to lay to rest much of the propaganda which has been going on in the determination to defend certain basic principles in the conduct of international life. It is not a question of morality, only, but the most plain practical politics," said Mr. Eden.

"Our first need is to return to good faith between nations. Without it, international society, like human society, can only drift towards widening confusion. That is the view I have held for a long time and it seemed to me to be a valuable contribution of Mr. Beck's speech, not merely because we, as a people, admittedly hold a position of some advantage in the balance of world goods or that we have had more than enough of gangster tactics.

"If we oppose the methods of snatch and run" it is because this practice among nations puts a halt to progress in every sphere. As British people, there is scarcely any material price we would not pay that might not become as antiquated as duelling to be hung up as being quite out of the question.

"Whatever success attended the gospel of Machiavelli up to date, its scope is now clearly limited; a warning has been uttered and precautions taken. Let there be no mistake, we now know that the world can only keep peace if the rulers learn, like a language, to practice the same philosophy and keep open faith."—*United Press*.

GERMAN OBJECTIONS

Berlin, May 6. It is understood that Hitler would like some indication of British and American reaction before issuing any himself.

Nazi political quarters take exception to four points in Col. Beck's speech.

Firstly, they stress the right of self-determination of Danzig. Secondly, they reject "in the general European interest" Polish rights in Danzig because the city is at the mouth of the Vistula.

Thirdly, they maintain that the German-Polish Pact restricted freedom in joining "combinations inimical towards one of the partners." Fourthly, they express surprise at Col. Beck's statement that the German proposals had not been transmitted to him in full.—*Reuter*.

MARCH AGAINST RUSSIA. Paris, May 6. It is suggested here that some references in Col. Beck's speech relate to earlier German suggestions that Poland and Germany should march together against Russia.

Poland rejected these suggestions, fearing that such a war would end only by leaving her with diminished territory and surrounded by a formidable Germany.—*Reuter*.

CABINET CONVENED

Paris, May 6. The French Cabinet convened today to hear the Foreign Minister's report on the study of Colonel Beck's speech. A declaration will be made in the French parliament on May 11 outlining the French position.—*United Press*.

ITALIANS TEMPORISE

Rome, May 6. Newspapers here agree that Beck's speech paves the way for negotiations and make no attempt to criticise his arguments. *The Messaggero* writes: "The line adopted by Beck is such that a solution may be expected capable of guaranteeing peace and, with peace, respect for the rights and aspirations of the two peoples."—*Reuter*.

TIME LIMIT SET

Berlin, May 6. Well informed circles affirm that the moderate tone of certain Italian newspapers in regard to Colonel Beck's speech does not in any way signify that there are Anglo-German differences in regard to Poland.

To the contrary, it is affirmed that Italy has already told Poland that, in case of conflict, Italy will be on the side of Germany.

The same quarters emphasized this afternoon that there is a time limit for Poland to change her present attitude; namely, the end of Ribbentrop's and Goering's visits to

Italy and their return to Berlin—United Press.

AMBASSADOR'S RETURN

Warsaw, May 6. "It is now for Germany to speak," writes the *Dziennik* newspaper. "The world agreed that Berlin should furnish the proofs if an understanding with Poland was really desired and she has now to choose between two roads, one of which is peace."

The Conservative newspaper *Czas* thinks that the return to Warsaw yesterday of the German ambassador Herr von Moltke, may mean that further German suggestions are to be expected.

The Plenary Session of the Chamber is called for Tuesday to debate the President's special powers to promulgate decrees for financing defence. The Senate holds its Plenary Session on Thursday.—*Reuter*.

GOVERNMENT POWERS

Warsaw, May 6. The Polish Government will be given full powers in a bill to be passed on Tuesday.

To-day the lower house approved and both the Jewish and the Ukrainian delegates gave it their blessing.—*Reuter*.

STUDENTS COMPLAIN

The trouble at the Danzig Polytechnic which caused anti-German riots earlier this year, was renewed with the start of the new term. The Polish students complain that their grievances have not yet been remedied and they have decided to boycott their lecturers.—*Reuter*.

FRONTIER ALARMS

Paris, May 6. Latest information received here in regard to troop movements in Germany is that there has been an accumulation of planes and other war material near the Polish frontier.

It is stated that certain military precautions have been taken, but the concentrations of troops is not of such numbers as to suggest an imminent attack on Poland.

Great significance is, however, attached to the fact that military measures have been taken in Slovakia, which is close to the industrial centres of Poland.

Reports current to-day are that the partition of Slovakia between Hungary and Germany will be discussed between Herr von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano.—*Reuter*.

MOB TERRORISM CHARGE

Berlin, May 6. German refugees from Polish "persecution" are fleeing across the frontier into Germany in a steadily increasing flow, according to the Berlin press, which hurls sharp accusations against the Polish Government.

A news agency says a camp has now been established at Marienwerder where the refugees will stay for a few days until employment is found for them in East Prussia. The source adds that, during April, 261 men and women accompanied by children arrived from Poland in this district and a further 100 adults and 100 children have arrived since April 28 when the Fuehrer made his Reichstag speech. Refugees are also arriving in the Stuhm district near Danzig.

The Berlin newspapers alleged that armed Polish mobs have been carrying out assaults and acts of mob terrorism systematically prepared by Polish quarters.—*Reuter*.

The *Diplomatische Korrespondenz* indicates that the Polish question and the countermeasures to "encirclement" have been a feature of the Ciano-Ribbentrop talks in Milan. The impression persists in foreign circles that Germany is inviting Mussolini to mediate in the German-Polish dispute.—*Reuter*.

DANZIG LEADERS' TALK

Berlin, May 6. No decisions of importance are expected regarding Danzig at present, but according to political circles, where there is talk of a plebiscite, it must be left to the population in Danzig to decide whether they want to return to the Reich or to remain a Free State.

Well informed quarters state that Hitler yesterday conferred with Herr Goebbels, President of the Danzig Senate, and Herr Forster, Nazi Regional Leader, as a result of which Herr von Ribbentrop links with him to Milan full knowledge of the Danzig leaders' and Hitler's instructions.—*Reuter*.

FLIMSY WAR PRETEXT

London, May 6. London does not attempt to belittle the dangers of the situation

SOVIET ALLIANCE: CRITICAL STAGE

London, May 6. It has been officially disclosed that the new British proposal, aimed at bringing Russia into the Anglo-French security front, has been delayed because of the "necessity for further consideration," but it will be sent shortly although it was previously been sent to Sir William Seeds at Moscow.

Mr. Chamberlain is personally changing and re-drafting the note, which originally left the door open for an eventual military aid pact without accepting the Russian proposal of a mutual aid pact.

Government quarters have indicated that the reply in its final form is likely to be an offer of a compromise. It is suggested that Britain will still propose that Russia should unilaterally extend a promise of support to victims of aggression in East Europe, which would become operative only after Britain and France have given armed help to such victims.

It is understood that the reply, as completed, will re-open the possibility of a tri-power military alliance, after agreement has been reached on the aforementioned plan.—*United Press*.

FRENCH DISAPPOINTMENT

London, May 7. Diplomatic correspondents and editorialists in the Sunday papers, in giving prominence to the Anglo-Soviet negotiations, mostly believe that a critical stage has been reached. The British Government wishes to confine the agreement to a pledge by the Soviet to aid her Baltic and Balkan neighbours if attacked, while the Soviet urges a military pact between the Soviet, Britain and France, to which the smaller States in Eastern and Western Europe would be likely to adhere.

The Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent says that unless Russia is prepared to compromise there is danger that the talks may break down. The final conclusion of an Anglo-Turkish pact is dependent upon the course of Anglo-Russian negotiations.

The diplomatic correspondent of the *Observer* says that Russia has been urging that the small States are waiting—to be convinced—that the peace bloc is businesslike and trustworthy, and that nothing short of a full military alliance of the three Powers will convince them, and that the Powers hesitate they may find themselves presented with another fait accompli.

The main difficulty, the correspondent continues, is that a formal military alliance might appear to justify the German cry of encirclement and thus precipitate the crisis which the alliance is destined to prevent, while Russia argues that stopping short of a full alliance may precipitate danger. Thus it cannot be disguised that a clear issue in tactics is involved.

The *Observer* in an editorial says that having begun the process of consulting a peace bloc, the British Government must now answer the question, "Can a half measure be effective?"—*Reuter*.

PRESS OPINIONS

Paris, May 6. Officialdom here is clearly disappointed at Britain's rejection of the Russian proposal for a military alliance against Hitler which would have revived the triple alliance against totalitarian expansionism.

Meanwhile France has reiterated the bilateral Franco-Russian mutual aid pact of 1935.

It is understood that Moscow has informed France that Russian policies envisage no isolationism of Russo-German rapprochement.

To-day's Cabinet meeting surveyed the foreign outlook, particularly the German-Polish crisis, M. Litvinov's resignation, and the reported presence of German military technicians in Northern Italy.

In the French viewpoint, Britain's rejection of a military alliance with Russia does not imply the failure of the Anglo-French efforts to reach a working agreement for the guarantee of the territorial integrity of the States bordering Germany.—*United Press*.

around Danzig territory, says the *Daily Telegraph*, but British circles note that the wisdom of precipitating a European war on this flimsy pretext is now the subject of discussion between Germany and Italy.

A violent solution is unlikely to be sought immediately.—*Reuter*.

APPEAL TO HITLER

Rome, May 6. It is reported that Canon Orsenigo, Canon of Milan, has visited Hitler in

Manila Shaken By Tremors

Manila, May 7. Saturday night festivities were dampened at 1.01 a.m. when Manila was rocked by intermittent earth tremors for 20 seconds. The shocks are said to be the severest since August 1937. Sleepers were aroused and many ran out into the streets. There were no casualties here.—*Reuter*.

Severe Raid On Swatow

Swatow, May 6. Eight Japanese planes continued bombing and machine-gunning Swatow this morning 400 yards east of the United States Consulate. The objective was apparently Chinese military headquarters. Many bombs fell close to foreign property at the Socony installation. Casualties as yet are unknown.—*Reuter*.

Central News adds that in Swatow 100 casualties were caused by the raid and tens of houses wrecked.

JAPANESE VERSION

Shanghai, May 7. Japanese naval aircraft on Friday raided Swatow bombing military depots.

On Thursday, naval air units carried out three bombing attacks in Fukien and Kwangtung. Raiding Chuachow, the northern terminus of the railway from Swatow, the Japanese aircraft bombed military freight cars near the station.

Chuachow to the north of Amoy was also attacked on Thursday. The Magistrate's office and various military establishments were bombed.—*Central News*.

HOUSES DEMOLISHED

Chuachow, Fukien, May 6. Chuachow was twice bombed by a lone Japanese plane at 7 o'clock and 12 o'clock yesterday. About forty houses were destroyed.

Several Japanese naval vessels off Hweinan on the southern Fukien coast steamed away yesterday.—*Domel*.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE

Swatow, May 7. During the terrific bombing on this port by 11 Japanese planes on May 4, 17 bombs were dumped, demolishing two shipyards, two food factories, and one match factory. Fifty casualties resulted, seven of whom took refuge in a haystack, which was machine-gunned.

Sixteen empty cars of a train on the Chuachow-Swatow Railway were also smashed by 11 bombs.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po*.

KOMING MASS ATTACK

Shanghai, Kwangtung, May 7. A mass attack was made on Koming by 22 Japanese planes yesterday morning, dumping over 100 explosives. Heavy damage and casualties were caused.

Twenty-three other Japanese machines meanwhile reconnoitred Shihuling, Kulo, Hakalong and Mahow, and machine-gunned the civilians.—*Central News*.

THREE HUPEH ATTACKS

Siangyang, Hupeh, May 7. Fancheng, on the north bank of the Han River, opposite Siangyang, was twice raided yesterday by Japanese planes.

Five machines visited the town at noon, dumping 20 bombs. Five planes came in the afternoon, raiding when over 30 bombs were released. Laohokow, 115 miles, north-west Chungking, was attacked by five planes at noon.

A Japanese heavy bomber, flying low, was shot down by Chinese guns, with rifles at Wanchang, North Hupeh, on Friday.—*Central News*.

NANCHENG RAIDED

Sinn, May 7. Twelve Japanese warplanes staged another raid on Nancheng, (Hanchung) on the upper reaches of the Han River, 190 miles south-west of Sinn, yesterday afternoon. They inflicted some 150 casualties and wrecked 100 houses, dropping 101 bombs.—*Central News*.

Boy Collects Snakes

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. The hobby of Paul H. Stevens, 15-year-old high school student, is collecting live snakes—and is housing them in a bureau drawer in his bedroom. His ambition is to own a boa constrictor.

connection with the European crisis, but it cannot be confirmed whether he carried a definite proposal or merely an appeal for moderation on both sides in the Polish-German differences.—*United Press*.

MONTH OF PRAYER

Vatican City, May 7. In a broadcast to the French National Eucharistic Conference at Algiers, the Pope made a brief reference to the peace so ardently desired by anxious humanity.

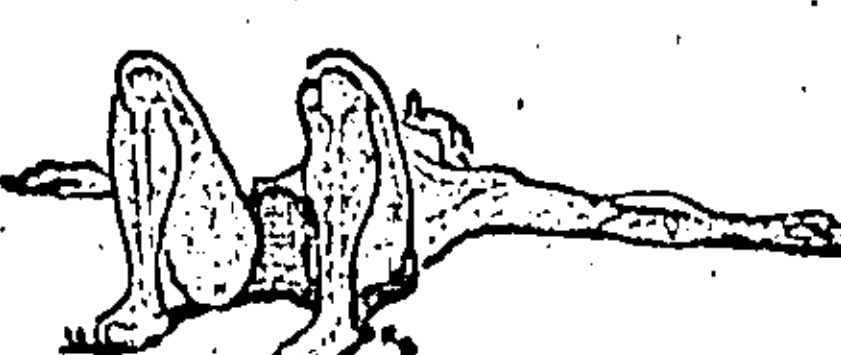
His Holiness urged that the month of May should be entirely devoted to universal prayer in honour that there should descend from heaven to earth by the hands of the Immaculate Virgin that peace promised to all men goodwill, peace in souls troubled by the calls and seductions of false doctrines, and peace between nations shuddering in unceasing anxiety.—*Reuter*.



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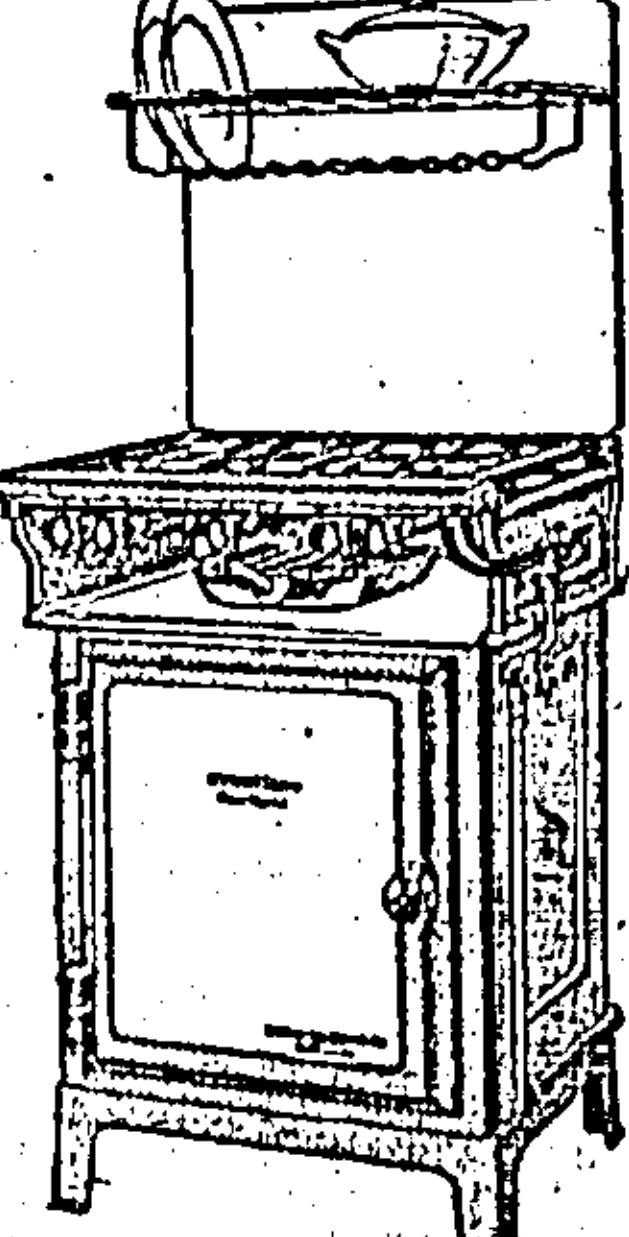
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SERVICES DEFEATED BY CIVILIANS

CLOSING MATCH OF THE PRESENT HOCKEY SEASON

Winners Thoroughly Deserve Victory

(By "The Pillgrim")

In the last game of the local hockey season, the Civilians defeated the Services by two goals to nil in a fast and close struggle on the Club ground yesterday. The winners scored once in each half.

The initial attacking was done by the Civilians and after ten minutes' pressure, off a long corner hit, G. H. Fowler received the ball and cracked a perfect centre to G. Singh who, in the twinkling of an eye, had flicked the ball past Osman. This was a nice move and thoroughly deserved a goal.

The Civilians were back again with some strong attacking, but Osman dashed out on several occasions to make good clearances from Wall and G. Singh. Except for two or three raids made by the Services' attack, the Civilians hives and forwards got right into full stride and penned their opponents in their own half for the remaining 25 minutes.

During this half, the Civilians immediately played a fine constructive game. E. Fowler, W. A. Reed and R. J. Reed gave of their best. R. J. Reed, at left half, was really sound; he held a watching brief on Gemmel, the Services' inside right. W. A. Reed, the pivot, was intelligent and seldom did he send the ball away to his forwards without a mission.

SECOND HALF

In the last half, the first point of note was Pritam Nath going through, but he was tackled by R. Xavier in time. Again the Services returned to the attack when a shot from Gemmel was cleared into touch by Souza. Two rapid short corners were forced by the Services in quick succession, but U. B. Souza in turn cleared magnificently from the expert Datta Ram. Then after 20 minutes' play came the Civilians' second goal.

S. A. Fowler sped down the right wing and sent in a perfect centre. Wall took possession and tested Osman, but S. A. Fowler, duelling up rapidly, took the ball and hit it past the goalie after a partial clearance had been made.

Near the end, the Services attacked strongly but the Civilians forwards returned the compliment, and only

Combined Schoolboys Defeat D.G.S.

Prior to the Civilians-Services game on the same ground, the Combined Schoolboys defeated the D.G.S. by five goals to nil. Playing only ten, the boys were too fast for the girls and scored through G. Singh, K. Singh (2), P. Rull and R. Castro.

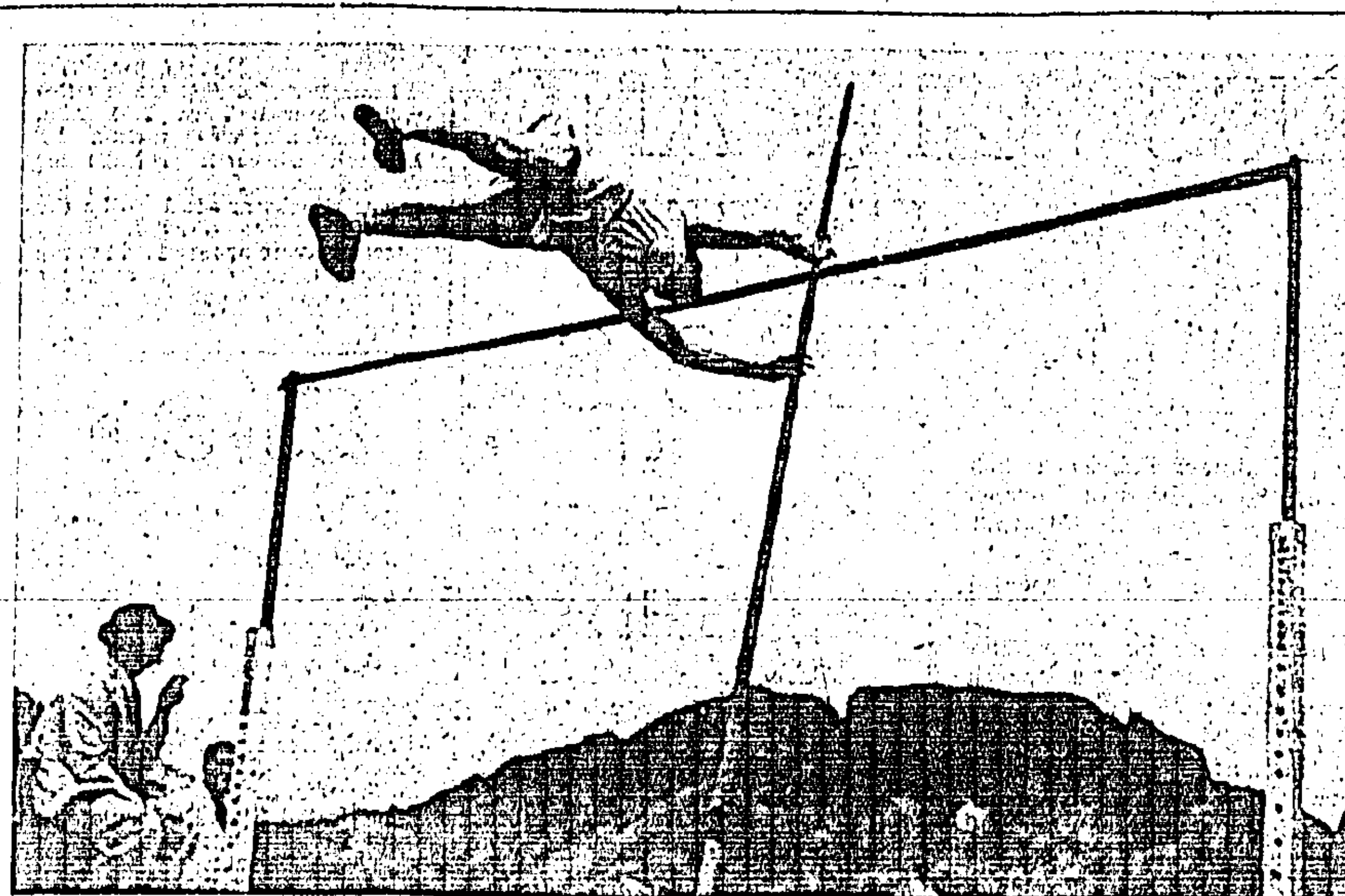
erratic shooting by both sides spoiled good efforts.

The Civilians inside trio of G. Singh, G. H. Fowler and Parn Singh worked well together and never hesitated to shoot at once when on the edge of the circle. Their winners, S. A. Fowler and J. Wall, rendered splendid support. Bond and R. Xavier, the backs, were sound. The latter, who relieved Guest, was in good form and backed up his partner strongly.

SERVICES' ATTACK FAILS

I attribute the Services' defeat to the failure of their attack, where good combination was lacking. The forwards, Gemmel, Pritam Nath and Nerrin seemed strangely out of gear. Dillnot was the best wing half and though Hook worked hard he was not his usual self at centre-half. There was little to choose between Carr and Datta Ram but Osman in goal gave his usual brilliant display.

Despite the intense heat, a fast pace was maintained. The Civilians proved themselves a better combination than the Services and deserved their victory.



A splendid action picture of the pole-vault event at the Hongkong Area athletic meeting held on the Polo Ground in Boundary Street last week. This competitor has cleared his mark with ease.—Staff Photographer.

LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE STARTS WITH U.B. BEATING RECREIO

Race Won By Broken Necks At Sandown Remarkable Case In Turf History

London.

An amateur steeplechase jockey, Captain Peter Herbert, who broke his neck racing at Leicester last year, won the last race at the National Hunt meeting at Sandown Park on Henri's Choice, the horse that broke his neck at Liverpool three years ago.

Captain Herbert, a Life Guards officer, said: "You might call it a win for surgery by a neck. There were some who said neither of us would race again. Well, we showed them they were wrong."

After his accident at Liverpool, it was thought that Henri's Choice would have to be shot. As an experiment, a veterinary surgeon set the horse's neck in plaster.

The neck gradually mended and Henri's Choice came back to the turf. It was one of the most remarkable recoveries in the history of racing.

Although they outlast the Brewers by three safeties, the Rambling Rees couldn't make them count. The score was knotted for two innings before Chet Bennett's U. B. squad took a 5 to 3 lead, and kept it there after.

In the third canto, with two away, rookie shortstop Alves of the Rambling Rees pulled the "hidden ball" trick on the Brewers. Coming in the opening game of the season, it was the cause for much merriment among the wolves. Stan Leonard, who had reached second on a double, was wandering off his base during an argument centered at third base. Alert Alves tagged him before he could get out of his daze for the third out.

Third sacker Charlie Horton, who almost had to stay away from playing ball this season, welded the heaviest stick work for his gang of sailors, with two doubles and a single in three times up, and bringing in two.

However, hurler Earl Wong in his second year under fire on the mound, contributed a triple, a double and a single in three times at bat for a perfect 1,000 percentage.

GROUND RULES EXPLAINED
Ground rules came in for a lot of panning in this tussle. I don't think any of the teams has them straight yet. A hit to the rightfield fence without touching the ground, before it reaches said bank, means a three-bagger. A liner rolling onto the bank only calls for a double. At left field, when a batted ball rolls through the fence, or is stopped at the fence, means a triple, while a ball over the fence is a homer.

Madeen Arculli was the hero of the game. Not satisfied with a perfect batting average of three safeties in three times up, he brought in three of his mates on a double and two bingles, and fanned five without issuing an Annie Oakley. Even Hal Wingtree made a hit that day!

The only hook that moundman Spotty Pereira had was used throughout the game, and he fanned five in the grand manner, making monkeys out of Terry Leonard, 2; Hussain, Stan Leonard and Hal Wingtree. If Pereira had had better support behind the plate, there might have been a different ending to the game. Catcher Al Alvarez, brother of Johnny Alvarez, hasn't been seen in action for quite a few years, and seemed a bit rusty.

Recreio certainly missed A. V. Gosano, Nick Beltrao and Eddie Gosano. For some unknown reason, Eddie, although out at the game, did not don a Recreio uniform. They needed him out there!

YESTERDAY'S GAME

Although a double-header was slated for yesterday's card, only one tilt was played. Making their seven hits count, Mindanao romped home an easy winner over the Chinese 6 to 4, behind an early lead.

The Chinese couldn't get started, and six bobbles were chalked up to them for Earl Wong to lose a heart-breaker. Earl whiffed three Mindanao batters: "Paintpot" Thomas 2, "No-gravy" Dew 2, "Poochie" Chase. "Horseface" Douglas 2 and "Hill Jumper" Wilson 2, for a splendid mound performance.

"Crooner" Ruel didn't show so much fancy stuff yesterday, but he played heady ball, taking nine chances with nory a fumble, and fanned two.

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Although a double-header was slated for yesterday's card, only one tilt was played. Making their seven hits count, Mindanao romped home an easy winner over the Chinese 6 to 4, behind an early lead.

The Chinese couldn't get started, and six bobbles were chalked up to them for Earl Wong to lose a heart-breaker. Earl whiffed three Mindanao batters: "Paintpot" Thomas 2, "No-gravy" Dew 2, "Poochie" Chase. "Horseface" Douglas 2 and "Hill Jumper" Wilson 2, for a splendid mound performance.

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One Major Upset In Lawn Bowls League Matches

(By "Abo")

After the dismal weather we had had the past three Saturdays, it was indeed pleasing to see the sky clear up on Saturday and thus allow the Hongkong Lawn Bowls League to get going. Most local bowlers have had their recent practices on heavy greens, and the "fiery" nature of most grounds last Saturday must have put a number of players off their stride.

During the afternoon a full programme was played, consisting of 20th, the scores were tied at 10-10. League. When the sky cleared the weather became so hot that it was a relief to all that matches now start at 4 p.m. instead of 3.30.

Major Upset

MOST of the matches ended more or less according to expectations. The only major upset was in the First Division where the Indian R.C., visiting the Kowloon Bowling Club, took both points by a margin of 10 shots. The result was one which few would have expected, least of all by the Indians themselves, who had never won before at Austin Road. But the victory was well-deserved, as the visitors were nothing if not consistent—each rink scored 22 shots. Both A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas won their games, while A. K. Minu and Adam Holland tied. The peculiar part about this was that at tea-time, which was taken after the eighth head, Minu was the only one of the Indian ships to be leading. He was then 13-5 ahead of Holland, while Dallah was trailing "Bob" Duncan 7-9, and Abbas was 6-7 behind W. Macfarlane. Minu, however, failed to maintain his advantage and allowed Holland to score ten shots from the 13th to the 15th heads, and though he led again at 21-5, only a single on the 21st head enabled him to tie the match. Macfarlane did not always have the best of luck with his shots in his match against Abbas and ended up ten shots behind, while Duncan, after leading 18-0 on the 14th head, scored again. Dallah ended up six shots to the good.

Recreio "A" Win

WHILE their victory over the Police R.C. at Happy Valley was more or less expected, I did not think that the Recreio "A" last year's champions, would be able to have 22 shots to spare. The Police green is one on which most visitors take a bit of time to settle down, but peculiarly enough all the three Portuguese rinks scored on the first two ends. A six on the fifth, followed immediately by a three and a couple, enabled F. X. M. da Silva to take a lead of 13-2 on the seventh head against J. Orem's four. At the 13th, "Spuggy" was 17-4 in the lead, but Orem made quite a good recovery and was only four down in the end. But for a spell of scoring from the 10th to the 19th heads, Wally Mair would have been in a bad way indeed against "Dick" Alves, who led 22-3 on the 15th.

Mair obtained eight shots in these four heads, and with Alves taking two three, "Wally" finished up 17 shots behind. The fight between A. E. Carey and Carlos Silva was a very even one. In fact after the first two heads, when he gave away a three and a two, Carey came back with a four and a five to lead 9-5, and chased in two of his mates.

The Chinese used two bushers in Den Cray at third, and Ray Chang at right. Neither has ever before played in a league game, but they have the makings of real ball players.

Even though a great deal of the interest has probably been taken away by the fact that two brothers are in opposition, some good tennis should be seen on the star of the Hongkong C.C. this afternoon when Tsui Wai-pul (holder) meets his younger brother, Tsui Yun-pul, in the final of the Colony tennis singles championship.

When the draw was announced at the start of the tournament, it was realised that the two brothers would probably meet in the final. Expectations thus have been fulfilled. The champion has had a few tough matches, but has proved himself to be head and shoulders above anybody he has met so far; on the other hand, the young Tsui has had a comparatively easy passage into the final.

The following is how the brothers reached the final:

Tsui Wai-pul—1st round, received walk-over from G. W. Sewell; 2nd round, beat Chan Chi-keung 6-0, 7-5; 3rd round, beat Wong Shi-wing 6-3, 6-2; 4th round, beat R. E. Rumsbottom 3-6, 6-3, 6-1; semi-finals, beat S. A. Rumsbottom 9-7, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Tsui Yun-pul—1st round, beat Wan Tze-say 6-1, 6-1; 2nd round, beat T. J. Gould 7-5, 6-1; 3rd round, beat A. Crawford 6-3, 6-0, 6-4; 4th round, beat Ho Ka-lau 7-5, 6-0; semi-finals, beat Lee Wai-long 6-4, 6-2, 12-10.

In his stroking, young Tsui in many respects is as good as his brother. He is less "nasty" but more solid in some of his shots. His temperament, however, does not compare favourably with that of the Davis Cupper, especially when the scores are tight.

The chances are that the elder Tsui will retain his title, but he will probably find himself fully extended.

THE Craigengower C.C., strengthened by the return of Charlie Rossett to the team, visited Kowloon Dock R.C. and won by 34 shots—which represented the biggest win of the day. The Happy Valley rinks, led by the three old stalwarts, U. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and R. Basso, were far too well-balanced to be in danger of defeat. The visitors seemed set to like the first end to it very quickly. The Craigengower C.C. men got home in a canter, so to speak.

Normal Scoring
SCORES during the afternoon were kept within reasonable proportions. There was nothing sensational, no sevens or eights being recorded. There were three sixes, however, (1) by F. X. M. da Silva's rink against J. Orem's four on the fifth head; (2) by T. W. Carr's rink against R. H. Wilton's quartet on the last head; and (3) by B. Musket's four against C. Champelover's rink on the second head. Numerous fives and fours were registered.

Football

Eastern Team Defeat Macao By Odd Goal

Considering the lateness of the season and the heat, good football was produced by the Eastern F.C. and Macao when the two teams met on the Club ground yesterday. The Hongkong team, due to a livelier forward line, emerged victorious by the odd goal in three after leading by 2-0 at one stage of the game.

The defences on both sides played well, but whereas the Eastern halves found time to help their forwards, the Macao defenders had all their work cut out to stop the Eastern attack, and herein lay the reason for Eastern's victory.

Hsu King-shing, at centre-half for the local side, was a tower of strength in the middle of the field and piled his forwards with many useful passes. Lee Tack-lee and Mr. Ki-ching were causing the Macao defence a great deal of worry by their hustling tactics, but for the most part, the visiting defenders proved worthy of the occasion.

Alex Airesa, the Macao pivot, performed a great deal of useful work, while Lam Sau-ann and Lobato, the backs, were very reliable. In the forward line, the two players who caught the eye were Collaco and Gurriero.

Ng Ki-ching gave Eastern the lead in the first half, shortly after the resumption, Chau Mun-chi increased this lead from a corner kick.

Gurriero reduced the deficit midway through the half, but though Macao got very close on several occasions, they were unable to score the equalising goal.

Belgian Army Wins Kentish Cup

The Belgian Army beat the British Army by six goals to two, to-day to win the Kentish Cup for the triangular soccer tournament.

The Belgians beat the French Army on goal average.—Reuter.

Gland Treatment For Footballers Disliked

London, Apr. 28.
The Conference of the Football League Clubs and the Management Committee are unanimous in their general opinion against the adoption of the practice of gland treatment. The Management Committee has requested the Conference to seek the highest medical advice on the subject.—Reuter.

German Wins Tripoli Grand Prix

Tripoli, May 7.
The famous German racer, Hermann Lang, driving a Mercedes-Benz, won the Tripoli Grand Prix to-day with an average speed of 197.700 kilometres per hour.

Carnecola, also driving a Mercedes-Benz, was second, and V. Lorel, driving an Alfa-Romeo, was third.

The course was one of 50 laps of 1.14 miles each.—Reuter.

Warwickshire Signs On A New Bowler

Warwickshire have signed as a professional 25-year-old Fred Taylor, a right-hand medium-pace bowler who for the past two seasons assisted Staffordshire in the Minor Counties' Championship. He is the son of a former Warwickshire fast bowler.

Hampshire County C.C. have appointed Mr. G. R. Taylor to captain their team in the coming season.

Mr. C. J. B. Wood, formerly captain of Leicestershire County C.C., has been appointed assistant-secretary to the club.

Japan Will Compete In Olympics

The opinion that Japan will compete in the 1940 Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland, was expressed by Mr. Avery Brundage, president of the American Olympic Committee and a member of the International Committee, when he passed through Hongkong by the Suwa Maru on Saturday.

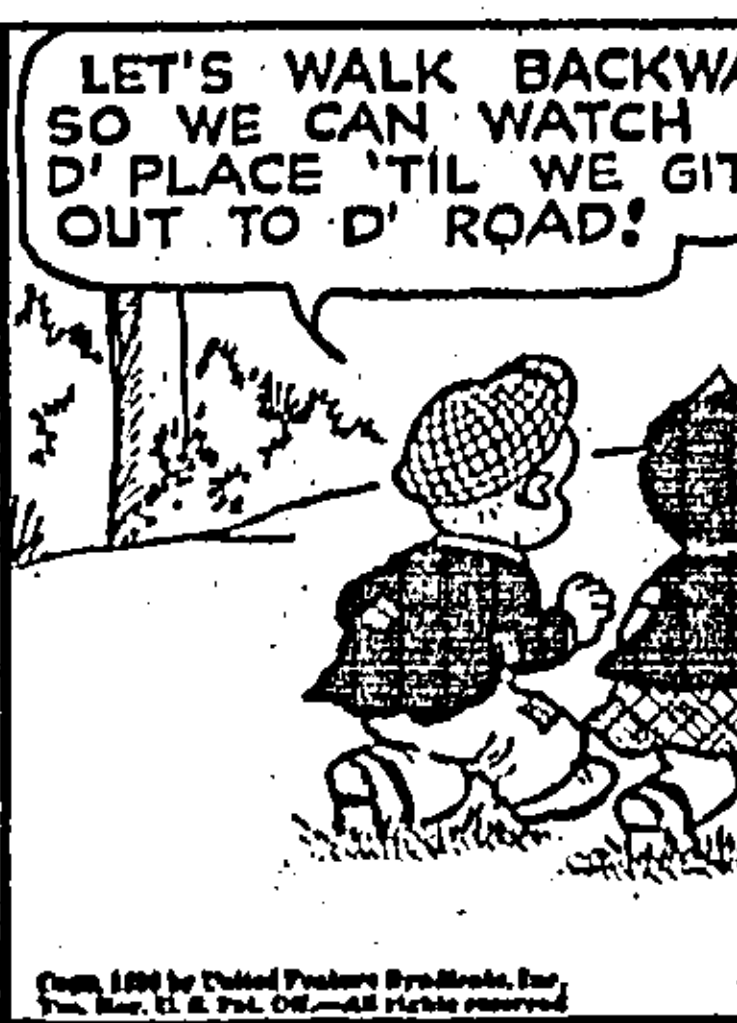
Stress of the present trouble in China caused Japan to forego her right to be the venue of the 1940 Games, but Mr. Brundage said, talks in Japan convinced him that Japanese sportsmen were eager to take part. He expected that, even if the present Far Eastern conditions still obtained, they would manage it.

Mr. Brundage, who is accompanied by his wife, is on his way to London to attend the yearly meeting of the International Committee, which, he said, will be mainly concerned with preparations for the 1940 Games. Never having seen the Orient, he and his wife, chose to go to London by the longer route.



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NANCY



European Zone Davis Cup Matches Begin

Germany, Yugo-Slavia, Poland and Hungary Win Their Matches

Germany, Poland, Hungary and Yugo-Slavia won their matches in the first round of the European Zone in the 1939 Davis Cup Competition which commenced over the week-end. Germany eliminated Switzerland by three matches to nil; Poland beat Holland 4-1; Hungary beat Rumania 3-2; and Yugo-Slavia defeated Ireland by three matches to nil.

GERMANS WIN

Vienna, May 7. Leading by two matches to nil at the conclusion of the singles yesterday, Germany, represented by Henner Henkel and Georges Von Mettner, won the doubles to-day against Switzerland, beating Manett and Fischer by 6-2, 6-2, 6-4. The singles results were:—Roderick Menzel (Germany) beat Boris Manett 6-8, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2, 6-3; Henner Henkel (Germany) beat Hector Fischer 6-2, 6-0, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3. Germany will now meet Poland in the second round of the European Zone.

HUNGARY THROUGH

Bucharest, May 7. Hungary eliminated Rumania by three matches to two, sharing the last two singles to-day. At the end of yesterday's play, Hungary led by 2-1. In the singles on Friday, Gabory (Hungary) beat Schmidt (Rumania) by 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 2-6, with Gabory leading by 2-0 in the fifth set. Schmidt retired with an injured foot. Asboth (Hungary) put his country further in the lead by beating Caralull (Rumania) in the second single by 6-1, 3-6, 6-7, 8-10 and 6-4. In the doubles yesterday, Schmidt and Caralull (Rumania) beat Dallos and Chikos (Hungary) by 6-8, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4. In the last two singles to-day, Caralull (Rumania) beat Gabory (Hungary) 3-6, 6-0, 6-4, 6-2 to put his country on level terms. In the deciding match, Asboth (Hungary) beat Schmidt by 6-2, 6-7, 6-8, 6-3, thus giving Hungary a 3-2, win. Hungary will meet Yugo-Slavia in the second round.

POLAND WIN 4-1

Poland entered the second round by beating Holland by four matches to one. In the first two singles, Count Bawnowski beat Van Swol 9-7, 6-3, 6-0, and Tloczynski beat Hughtan 6-0, 6-2, 6-1. After losing the doubles, Poland won the last two singles, and will now meet Germany. Trans-Ocean.

THREE TO NIL

Belgrade, May 7. Leading by two matches to nil after the opening singles, Yugo-Slavia beat Ireland by three matches to nil and will now meet Hungary in the second round. Mitchell (Yugo-Slavia) beat Rogers (Ireland) by 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 3-0, 6-3, and Puncce (Yugo-Slavia) beat Egan (Ireland) 6-2, 6-0, 6-3. In the doubles to-day, Puncce and Mitchell beat Rogers and Egan 6-1, 6-4, 6-2.—United Press.

BRITISH HARDCOURTS

Kho Sin-kie Defeats W. C. Choy In Men's Singles Final

Bournemouth, May 6. The Men's Singles Final of the British Hardcourts championships to-day was an all-Chinese match. Kho Sin-kie beat W. C. Choy by 7-5, 6-1, 6-4. Choy led in the first set at 3-11 through errors on Kho Sin-kie's part, but Kho thereafter was magnificent, winning repeatedly on superior cross-court drives. Choy took the first game of the second set, but only after fourteen deuces had been called. Kho was most accurate with fast driving and completely outplayed his opponent. Kho began the third set carelessly and lost several points, allowing Choy to lead at 2-1 and 3-2, but, with a series of drives to the corners of the baseline, Kho drew level at 4-4. Thereafter he featured a display of dazzling shots and emerged an easy winner.

Women's Singles Final Miss Kathleen Stammers overcame Mrs. Ellis (formerly Senorita Anita Lizana) in the final of the Women's singles by 6-3, 6-3. Women's Doubles Final Miss Jean Nicholl and Miss Betty Nuthall beat Miss Nina Brown and

ROGERS-ASTAIRE PROVE WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH A DECENT STORY

When Vernon Castle died in a plane crash in 1918, he wrote his life story to the history of the Castle duo who danced their way across the carefree days before the World War.

But their achievement towards making the world a gay and happier place has been recorded in an RKO film in which their two dancing stars, Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, accurately relive the story of the Castles.

According to latest reports from Hollywood, Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers are parting, the former to team with Eleanor Powell in his next film.

This is indeed unfortunate as this famous dancing duo, as famous today as the Castles were before the War, have really done well in their latest picture which proves that given a decent story their films will always be popular.

In recent films, the Astaire-Rogers couple have been given light airy plots for their films, but in "The Life of Irene and Vernon Castle" previewed at the Queen's yesterday, the real life of the Castles is the plot for the film.

OVERNIGHT SENSATION Irene Castle to-day is an attractive woman of 45 who acted as technical adviser for RKO's version of her dance life. She is now married to Major W. Frederick McLaughlin, a coffee magnate.

Irene Castle, nee Foote, was the stage-struck daughter of a New Rochelle doctor who met Vernon Castle, a struggling comedian, in 1911. After their marriage, they travelled to Paris where a job was waiting for them. On arrival, they discovered that they were not to dance together but Vernon alone was to appear in slapstick comedy. They rebelled and, down to their last centime, they nervously appeared in Cafe de Paris one evening in April 1912 to present their dance. The band struck up Darktown Strutter's Ball and this couple, silent and graceful, glided onto the floor. To this day, they did a dance that had never been seen before. The dancers roared with delight. All Europe were soon flocking to see Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle, the new international sensations.

That was the beginning of a great dance craze that swept the world. Irene Castle revolutionized styles for women. She became the symbol of all that was "chic" in woman. She bobbed her hair, developed a streamlined silhouette, wore male riding togs, carried a lap-dog and every woman in America imitated her. During the War Vernon joined the Flying Corps and won the Croix de guerre for photographing German trenches. At that time, Irene appeared in a series of war films called Patria. Vernon was killed while instructing an air recruit at Fort Worth.

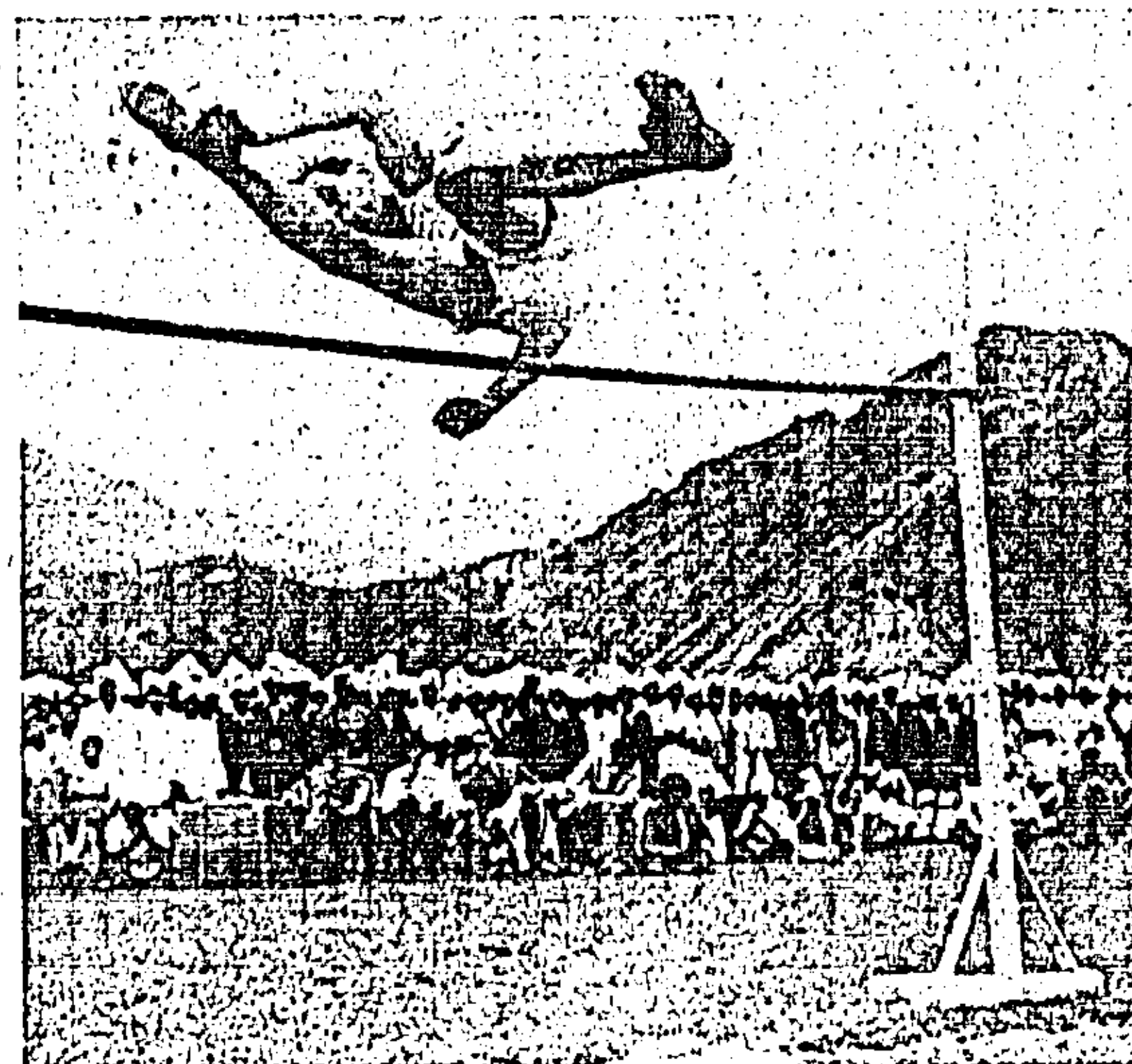
In the film, these facts are faithfully woven into the plot as Astaire and Rogers re-stage the Castle triumphs. A modern version of the "Dutch cap" brought with Vernon's last fringes and worn the night the Castles scored their first triumph, is worn by Ginger Rogers. Most of Irene Castle's gowns are also worn in a modern version, by Ginger Rogers for this film.

"The Life of Irene and Vernon Castle" proves interesting and entertaining film fare. It is to be shown at the Queen's Theatre shortly. With this film is a Walt Disney coloured cartoon featuring Goofy and a new star, Wilbur the Grasshopper.

Qualifiers In Captain's Cup

In the Captain's Cup May qualifying competition at Fanning, played on May 6 and 7, E. Pearce, with a card of 87-15-72 qualified on the Old Course. There were 31 entries. D. S. Edwards, with 73-4-60, qualified on the New Course. There were 11 entries here. The optional sweep on the Old Course was won by T. Megarry, 87-12-75 (10 entries). The sweep on the New Course was cancelled.

Providents \$4.50. H.K. Lands \$3.34. H.K. Tramways \$10.44/45. China Lights (Old) \$8.30. Dairies Farms \$15.15. Antelope \$3.11. Benguet Consolidated \$11.60. Coco Grove Pa. \$3.24. Consolidated Mines Pa. 0023. I.C.E. Pa. \$2. San Mauricio Pa. 1.00. United Porcelain Pa. \$5.



Good style is revealed by this competitor in the high jump in the Hongkong Area athletic meeting held last week. He has cleared the bar with ease.—Staff Photographer.

Enjoyable Sports Day At Indian R.C.

Brilliant sunshine attracted a large gathering of members and their friends to the Indian Recreation Club, Sookunpoo, yesterday, when the annual sports meeting was held. The Pipe Band of the Hongkong and Singapore Regiments, Royal Artillery, by kind permission of Lt. Col. Taylor and Officers, rendered selections during the afternoon.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. C. Rahim. Prior to the prize distribution, Mr. A. el Arculli, President of the Club, thanked the Officer-Commanding the H.K.S.R.A. for allowing the Band to play for them, Mr. Sirdar Rumliah, the Hon. Treasurer, who had acted as Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Rahim, the Hon. Sports Secretary for his efficient organization; and Mr. A. R. Minu, for his help. There was little to say, he added, regarding the Club's sports activities during the past year. The Club's teams had not been too successful but he was glad in a way because "a licking would do us good and prevent us from that awful disease, swell-headedness."

On behalf of Mrs. Rahim, Dr. H. el Arculli thanked the Club for the honour they had accorded her in asking her to present the prizes. The following were the results of the day's events:

70 yards Mathematical Race (Boys 12 yrs. and under).—1, S. K. Khan; 2, Munsur Ismail; 3, E. M. Bux. 70 yards Mathematical Race (Girls 14 yrs. and under).—1, Z. el Arculli; 2, M. A. Curreen; 3, J. A. Curreen. 80 yards Handicap (Girls under 10 yrs.).—1, Hajara Azam; 2, L. Kaidir; 3, Hanifa Azan. 220 Handicap (St. John's Ambulance, Indian Division).—1, O. Rahim; 2, S. H. Khan. Cricket Novelty Event.—1, N. Singh; 2, A. K. Minu; 3, M. S. Sadek. Egg and Spoon Race (Members 35 yrs. and over).—1, A. R. M. Samy; 2, O. Rumliah. 100 yards Handicap (Boys under 12 yrs.).—1, A. G. Ismail; 2, Abdul Rauf Azan; 3, A. R. Salich. 100 yards Handicap (St. John's Ambulance, Indian Division, cadets only).—1, G. Singh; 2, J. B. Hassan; 3, Ramnath. 50 yards Mathematical Race (Members of Ladies Section).—Mrs. O. Rumliah; 2, Miss J. Hassan; 3, Miss Z. el Arculli. Egg and Spoon Race, double-handed, 50 yards, (Members 35 yrs. and over).—1, A. K. Minu; 2, S. M. Sadek. 200 yards Handicap.—1, O. Rumliah; 2, N. Singh. Ladies Nomination Race.—1, Miss Fung and A. K. Minu; 2, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rumliah. 120 yards Handicap.—1, A. R. Marker; 2, A. el Arculli. Egg and Spoon Race, double-handed, 50 yards, (Ladies Only).—1, Miss R. el Arculli; 2, Mrs. E. O. Rumliah; 3, Miss J. Hamet. 100 yards Handicap (Open to Indian Students of all Schools).—1, Attar Singh; 2, Pal Singh; 3, S. K. Khan. Tennis Novelty Event.—1, A. H. Madar; 2, I. Kitchell. Ladies.—1, Mrs. R. J. Master; 2, Mrs. O. Rumliah.

SPORT ADVTS

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

Tennis Tournament, 1939

Monday, 8th May—Open Singles Final.

Tsui Wai-pui vs. Tsui Yan-pui.

Wednesday, 10th May—Open Doubles Final.

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JOHNSTOWN WINS KENTUCKY DERBY VERY EASILY

Louisville, May 6. At Churchill Downs to-day, Johnstown, 3-5 favourite, won the Kentucky Derby easily by eight lengths, with Challenor (6-1) second and Heather Broom (10-1) third. The time was 2:03.2. Eight run.

The winner was never seriously challenged. From the backstretch to the home-stretch, the race belonged to Johnstown, who took command with an immense bound from the starting gate and refused to relinquish his lead to any of his seven challengers.

The finishing order behind the first three was Viscosity, Technician, El Chico, T. M. Dorsett and On Location, all of whom were hopelessly far behind.

The pari-mutuel dividend was \$3.20, the shortest priced winner since 1905.

With the first prize of \$40,350, Johnstown's earnings for the past two years now amount to \$103,205.

Jimmy Stout rode the winner and never at any stage of the race applied the whip.—United Press.

In the Wood Memorial Stakes at New York on April 29, Johnstown ran away from a fast field and won by five lengths from Volant and Appaloosa. The winner was then favourite for the Derby.

JUBILEE STAKES

The Jubilee Stakes was run to-day resulting in a win for Antonym, at 10-1. Pappageno II (7-1) was second and Domaha (100-8) third. Thirteen ran. The time was 3 mins. 1 1/2 secs.

The following were the starters and

Rugby League Cup Halifax Beat Salford In Great Final

Wembley, London, May 6. Fifty thousand spectators to-day crammed the Wembley Stadium to witness the Rugby League Cup final between Halifax and Salford. The latter, the favourites, were beaten by 20 points to three.

Halifax were aggressive from the start, and their speed threw the favourites out of their stride. Deadly tackling broke up many movements. A surprising fluctuation in the first half was the fact that out of the first eighteen scrums Salford had succeeded in gaining from fourteen of them, but at the interval, out of 31 scrums, they had only gained from 10.

Despite the loss of their fullback in the second half, Salford featured some beautiful open passing movements, and attacked desperately, but were unable to penetrate a strong and superb defence.

The scorers in the first half were Smith and Trean, the tries being converted by Lockwood. Salford registered their only points in the second half when Human scored an unconverted try. Todd and Bevan added further tries for Halifax, both being converted by Lockwood.—Reuter.

Jockeys for the Jubilee Stakes: Antonym (Tucker), Black Speck (Carriker), Challenge (E. Smith), Blatoff (Harry Wright), Fortnamock (Jones), Golden Sovereign (Barr), Glenloach (Pat. Bensley), Bombay Duck (Lowry), Pappageno II (Perryman), Coyvert (Smirke), Heald (Weston), Domaha (Gordon Richards), and Nosegay (Mayer).—Reuter.

Honeymoon Lingerie



WITH lingerie there are no definite fashions which must be followed—it is a case of "a little of what you fancy does you good."

Every now and then a new material, a new colour, or a new style may be introduced to fall in with the general trend of fashion, but on the whole these things are very much a matter of individual taste.

Consider the surroundings you live in, and consider your "type"—for you will never be really happy with anything that isn't "you."

The athletic girl who chooses a scrap of fluff-and-chiffon looks for all the world like

a racehorse in a negligee—and sooner or later realises it; too late, alas, to change the purchase; too soon, oh dear, to be able to discard and buy again.

Notice the difference between the lingerie photographed from the trousseau of the unsophisticated country bride and that sketched from the trousseau of the bride-about-town who is honeymooning in Paris and setting up flat in London.

Only the negligees and two representative nightdresses from each trousseau are described here, but at the foot of the page are details of inexpensive lingerie sets which would be suitable for both girls' trousseaux.

1 The dressing-gown is an exotic affair, but is far more practical than it looks. The pale blue chiffon is ruffled with elastic threads, which means that it will wash beautifully and can be pulled out flat when being ironed. It also means that the gown fits the figure like a charm.

The ruffling gives double folds of the material for extra warmth, and allows her to bundle the gown in anyhow when she is packing, with no fear that it will come out like a crumpled handkerchief. Most modern flats are central-heated, so she probably will not need a thick dressing-gown as well.

2 She has a bed jacket to match, which is a nice idea. It gives such a satisfactory feeling to go all out on one really good set like this. The long sleeves make the jacket more sophisticated than it would be with the more usual short sleeves.

3 The two nightdresses which have been sketched for the town bride are both in peach satin and chiffon, and look very lovely under the pale blue chiffon negligee. Notice the Grecian top—particularly the coming type of bodice for a youthful figure.

And For The Rest

LINGERIE, free of too much fuss yet feminine, can be used by both types with equal success. You'll need camiknickers with the summer coming, slips and knickers, stockings and a good foundation garment.

Here are some suggestions to work upon. All these garments are beautifully cut, simple in design, and will last as long as the rest of the good things we have planned for you.

White chiffon camiknickers with a own particular brand of corset which ruffled brassiere top, are a lovely suits her figure, and from which she choice. The top of the camiknickers cannot be deterred. If, however, you can't make up through to give the bust-line snug fit your mind about corsets, a good one without tightness, for they'll give to is a well-known make of corselet your figure this way. These chiffon with lace brassiere top, entirely camiknickers can also be bought in bonelace, but so cut in a super blue, peach, apple green, and pink. Lingerie material that it'll control.

A set consisting of camiknickers, your figure completely. Stockings. Whatever you pay for stockings the knickers and camiknickers have you'll need at least a dozen pairs. Choose them in colours that are new with white satin applique, all hand-made and fashionable. Well-known makes in copper shades, deep pinks are done.

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Cultivating Charm In Childhood

BECAUSE the world is as it is a inner intelligence that is under- charming person will always be standing. Under all this, as a foundation as it were, the child must be taught a complete respect for other people's lives.

Fortunately both good looks and feelings. This does not mean that it charm can to a large extent be cultivated. And it is not too soon to that it should become a "yes-child," start right from babyhood. Much But-it must be made to understand the complexion is clear and fine, the never be hurt. It should be taught eyes bright and vital, and the hair to work not to hurt them.

glossy and abundant, but very little. The child with a witty, flashing done about beautifying the spon- brain has a terrific start, but never taneous manner of the child, which allow it to use her quick and amus- is charm.

First a word to the wise. Never one less able than itself to cope with forced. Too frequent and too tact- pence of others is rarely kind (though less, correcting will often produce a usually very much applauded), there- small automaton who will politely fore it is best avoided.

unintentionally answer, "Yes, Don't encourage children to say pleasure," and "No thank you" with funny things because you think they a regulated smile; who will never are funny. They must make remarks have any original conversation, and that they understand and think of for who will sit primly, and answer in themselves, otherwise that forced a trained way, must children require. It would seem, when trying to a certain amount of correction, both analyse charm, that it is compounded in speech and manner. But it must of complete naturalness, consideration be so carefully done that it never for others, and the gift of making becomes a lesson learned, but is remarks which are right at the right simply insinuated into the mind of the child. Add to this that quality of the child in such a way that he or inner warmth which flows to the she considers other people's feelings person being spoken to, convincing them that they are of vital import- Artificial charm is never appealing, ance to the happiness of the speaker, but the small person who has a ready as it were, and there you have charm, smile, and a friendly word, neither. But how can a child do all that, too shy nor too precocious, who you ask? Well, everyone has a cer- knows when to speak, yet who does (ain gift of charm to begin with, not have to sit like a doll at a tea. Sometimes it fades and dies at once, party, is well on the road to growing sometimes the way is too stony, and into a charming youth.

Having learned the first two most flourishes grandly in spite of all, difficult rules—when to talk and And always it can be helped and when to be silent (and little ones encouraged. One important point to remember ly), other lessons to be learned are is that the child who is treated with choice of conversation. These are charm and consideration by an in- right through life without ever learn- its own charm whether latent or ing them. They cannot be learned alive, almost without effort.

"parrot fashion." They require that E. A.



Hats for Summer are really smart, and here we have three of the best. At left, a small but bulky affair of red and black straw braid. Its graceful black quill is brilliantly lacquered; its veil The streamers are pink silk velvet ribbon. Below, the Gibson girl and the Merry Widow inspire to- day's hat styles. This lady wears a sailor of shiny black patent leather topped with a big white quill, with one of the smart new veils which cover the face.

Mr. Cowan, who had booked the Queen's Theatre for May 17, spent yesterday searching for a ship schedule which would bring his artists in by May 17, but it is likely that the team will come on by the Cinema, and Host Gordon in Singa- Terukuni Maru and open on May 18. The revue's real mission is the will play at several theatres, as well opening of Messrs. Cowan and Bal- las at the Hongkong Hotel.

ley's new 10-storey Cathay Cafe, The elder, Mr. Eu Keng-lon, a banker, will wed Miss Nancy Kan Shui-kwan, of 1, Eastern Terrace, Hongkong; the other, William Keng Yuet Eu, a merchant will take as his bride, Miss May Shum Sweet-ye, of 44, Bonham Road, Hongkong.

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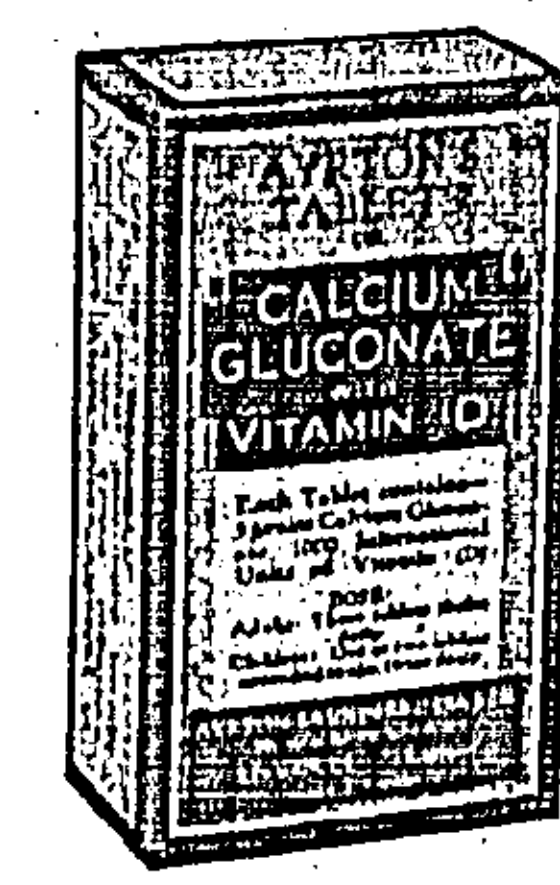
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Departure By Plane

Genevieve Tobin And Husband

After one crowded day in Hong-kong the Hollywood film star, Miss Genevieve Tobin, and her director husband, Mr. William Keighley, left for Hanol by Air France plane on Saturday morning. Their departure was quite without ceremony.

Others who left by the plane, also bound for Hanol, were Mr. R. A. V. Ribeiro, Mr. H. Dieste, Mr. G. Zep- pernick, Mr. W. J. Millar, Mr. S. E. Lavrov, and three Chinese.

TO EUROPE AND RETURN

San Diego, May 5. All plans are ready to launch a secretly-built passenger transport plane capable of flying to Europe from America and return non-stop.

The plane will carry 62 passen- gers and its cruising range is expected to be 10,000 miles with a maxi- mum speed of 275 miles per hour.

It is reported that American Ex- port Airlines are interested in the cruiser which it is proposed to use in Trans-Atlantic competition with Pan-American Airways.—United Press.

ARCTIC AIR SERVICE

Moscow, May 7. Plans for establishing a regular air communications service from Moscow to the Arctic regions will be taken in hand upon the return of the Soviet aviator Masluruk from the Arctic base where he has been engaged for some time in carrying out a series of experimental flights.

In announcing these plans yester- day Moscow newspapers claimed that the proposed air route linking up Moscow with the Schmidt Peninsula in North-east Siberia by way of Archangel and Chelyuskin would save a total length of 17,500 kilometres and would be the quickest route from Europe to the Far East.

The new service will be inaugura- ted following the erection of several airports equipped with stocks of fuel and direction finding wireless sta- tions. Trial flights are said to have shown that a service can be main- tained with safety throughout the entire year.—Trans-Ocean.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

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For London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. May 9. Imperial Airways 7 a.m. May 12.

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For U.S.A., via Manila and Guam: Pan American Honolulu Clipper 6.30 and May 11.

For France, via Hanol: Air France 6.30 a.m. May 13.

Inward

From London, Australia and Bri- tish countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. May 8. Imperial Airways 5 p.m. May 11.

From U.S.A., via Guam, and Manila: Pan American Honolulu Clipper 12.30 p.m. May 10.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Service indefinite.

From France, via Hanol: Air France 1 p.m. May 10.

EU BROTHERS TO WED

Two of Mr. Eu Tong-sen's sons are to be married shortly in Hongkong. The elder, Mr. Eu Keng-lon, a banker, will wed Miss Nancy Kan Shui-kwan, of 1, Eastern Terrace, Hongkong; the other, William Keng Yuet Eu, a merchant will take as his bride, Miss May Shum Sweet-ye, of 44, Bonham Road, Hongkong.

REVUE FOR HONGKONG

Japan Ship Change May Delay Players

The unpleasant news that the artists for their revue, booked to open in Hongkong on May 17, would probably not be able to arrive before May 18 awaited Messrs. Lynn Cowan and Bill Bailey, well-known players and producers, when they arrived from Singapore by the Haruna Maru on Saturday.

Mrs. Cowan, who played with Messrs. Cowan and Bailey in a Hong-kong Hotel turn in 1935, recently called for the East by the Holyo Maru with a cast of revue players assembled in Hollywood. At Kobe, however, the Holyo Maru was sent into dry dock and arrangements were made for the transfer of the players to the Terukuni Maru, which is not due in Hongkong until May 16.

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BEHAR	6,000	26th May	Shanghai & Japan.
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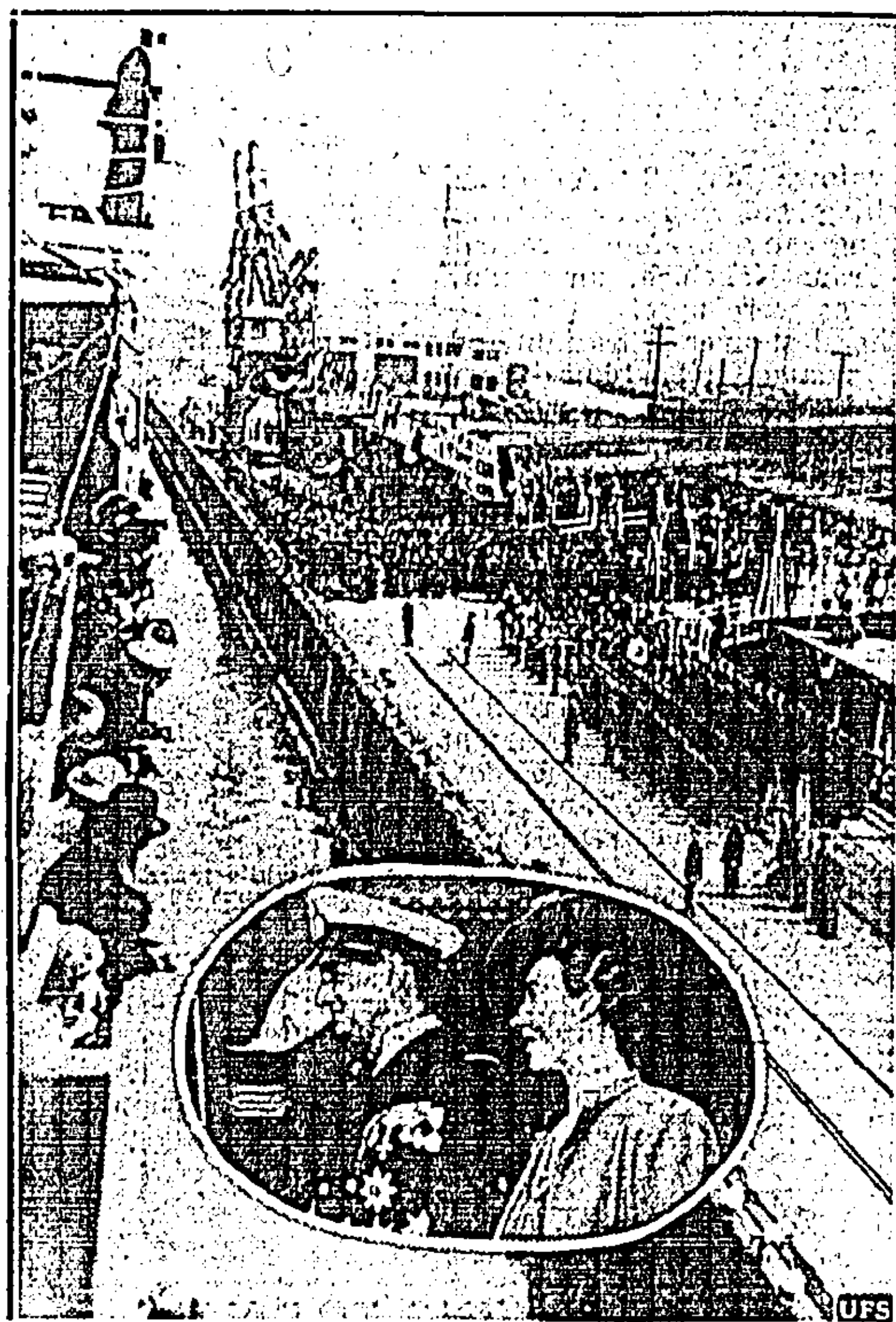
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PHOTO NEWS



John Naumo, upper inset, dashed into a New York apartment, after a hold-up, and defied police by threatening to shoot elderly couple he used as shield. Vallant Father Quinn, lower inset, went through fire-escape window and got Naumo to surrender.



Scene as Los Angeles welcomed Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Ingrid of Denmark, who are on a 34-day good-will tour of the United States. Motor ship Canada, bearing them, moves at left to dock. Inset shows royal couple as national anthems of Denmark and America were played.



Red-headed, Ann Sheridan, whom Hollywood appears to have chosen to wear the glamour crown of the late Jean Harlow. Miss Sheridan is a Texan, who won her screen fame via the beauty-contest route.

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MEMORIAL ORGAN

Dedication Service At Methodist Church

The Makeham Memorial Organ, erected in memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Makeham, was dedicated at the morning service at the English Methodist Church, Wanchai, yesterday. The service was conducted by the Revs. J. E. Sandbach and E. Moreton.

Mr. and Mrs. Makeham died in 1931 and 1939 respectively. They were worshippers and devout workers of the Church for thirty-five years. The organ was erected as the result of a bequest to the Church by the couple.

Mrs. A. Dransfield, an old friend of Mr. and Mrs. Makeham, performed the ceremony of unveiling the memorial plate and unlocking the new organ. The Rev. Mr. Sandbach said the prayer of dedication and thanksgiving.

The service began with the old organ. The first hymn played on the new instrument was "O for a thousand tongues to sing, my great Redeemer's praise." The Organist, Mr. R. Stansfield, also contributed an organ voluntary. Mr. A. Glanville sang a solo, accompanied by Mr. Stansfield.

Among those at the service was Mr. A. Blackett, who built the organ, which is a beautiful piece of work and a tribute to his skill.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Sandbach, who recalled the life and social work of the late Mr. and Mrs. Makeham. They were a couple, he said, who gave up their lives to the service of God, and did much good in the Colony where they commenced a movement which was still being carried on, that of making a home from home for the many servicemen serving their time in the East. Though they had now departed this life, yet they were present with them at the service through the organ, which would be a memory of them for all time.

NOVEL ART PROCESS

Woman Painter to Give Unique Exhibition

The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild announces that from May 13 to 15, they will present an exhibition of watercolours and oil paintings by Ernie Freedlander, who recently arrived in the Colony from Europe.

The process of this artist's work is novel, for unlike the ordinary direct painting on canvas she paints the finished work on glass and transfers this to a special kind of paper.

The Guild has requested Ernie Freedlander to explain and demonstrate her method to its members at the Guild Studio at 51, Gloucester Road to-morrow. This will no doubt afford them a great opportunity of acquainting themselves with such a novel method.

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Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- Albert
- Round
- Men's game
- In a row (scotch)
- Two and one
- Phases
- Shillings (Scottish)
- Thriller
- English queen
- Present protest
- Perform
- Metal shoe-lace tie
- Exit
- Father
- Liberal
- Wanderer in foreign country
- Wet dirt
- Italian money
- Artificial waterway
- Live tender
- Iterative on mother's
- Trial
- Parting tie
- Units of time
- Give reason for poor
- Part of leg
- Open space
- Not of hair
- Kind of prey
- Row
- Schooler's measure
- Long dab
- Prize
- Shells denoting tumor
- Rural English
- Merry-making
- Destitute

DOWN

- Seeming to hold
- If compared with
- Portions of circles
- Become identified with
- Attention device
- Terrestrial
- Time artist's lance
- Deviated
- Idiosyncrasy
- Limbs
- Allegory
- Strife as opinion
- East Indian tree
- Nice waitress
- Impress
- African mammal
- Inclined roadway
- Intervening voyage
- Manuscript collection for
- Stop-watch
- Forceful
- Spanish anti-shelter
- Wearing apparel
- Idiosyncrasy
- Archaic Sittian city
- Exercise in exercise
- Schools as vote
- Members of ancient
- Arayan race
- Archaic bird
- Compensating form
- Move away (prow)
- In various direction

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Haul Of Spent Ammunition

Charge Against Man Is Dismissed

Charged with possession of 1,000 empty cartridge cases and 102 spent bullets, Mak Shing, 30, travelling trader, appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning. He pleaded guilty.

Acting Sub-Inspector C. Moltram said that a Water Police seaman saw two coolies carrying a sack in Yau-mat on May 5. The sack burst and several of the spent cartridges fell out. Defendant stopped forward and claimed the sack as his. He was taken to the Police Station and later enquiries revealed there were a further eleven bags of scrap metal on board a junk anchored off Yau-mat. The scrap metal, according to defendant, had been sent to him for sale by his brother in the country. He was not aware that the ammunition was among the scrap.

As his explanation was accepted by the Police, his Worship dismissed the case, but ordered that all the cartridges and bullets be confiscated.

LATE NEWS

German Warning

BERLIN, May 8.—The "National Zeitung" openly warns Poland to cease "acts of violence against the German minority."

"One asks whether Poland will continue to simulate its readiness to negotiate, while at the same time allowing the rape of Germans in Pomeranian Posen and East Upper Silesia," the paper says.

"Warsaw will have to decide whether it wants to create a situation where it is a question of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."

"If Poland answers this question in the affirmative through continuing acts of violence against Germans, Germany will act accordingly."

Commenting on the Italo-German military pact, it says: "The time for illusions has ended for those who believe it would be a good time to a strike against the Fascist States—we mean particularly Poland."—United Press.

Free Iron Lungs In Colony

Two artificial respirators for infantile paralysis cases, presented to the Hongkong Government by Lord Nuffield, have arrived in Hongkong.

Both have already been installed at the Queen Mary Hospital.

These iron lungs are part of the generous offer made by Lord Nuffield, the famous motor magnate, to all parts of the British Empire. He has set aside £100,000 for the purpose of providing these lungs for the use of people throughout the Empire.

In cases of infantile paralysis, patients are placed inside the iron lungs which, as their name denotes, take the place of the lungs, forcing the patient to breathe.

Cases of infantile paralysis are rare in Hongkong.

In response to a communication from the Colonial Office, the Hongkong Government requested that two of the free respirators be sent for use in this Colony. Private hospitals have also ordered a supply.

CHRISTIAN UNITY

C. Of E. To Invite Pope To Take Lead?

LONDON, May 7. IT IS understood that the Archbishop of Canterbury will shortly make a statement in connection with his reported approach to the Pope for a united Christian front in the interests of world peace, under the leadership of the Pope.

It is understood that during his recent cruise in the Mediterranean, the Archbishop obtained support for his plan from the Archbishop of Athens and the Patriarch of the Orthodox Church at Istanbul.—United Press.

Pope's Appeal
Vatican City, May 7. In a six-minute broadcast to the Algiers-Eucharistic Congress, His Holiness the Pope invoked the faithful to continue their prayers for the maintenance of peace.

"May peace be established between the nations troubled by continued anxiety," he prayed.

Referring to the faithful in Africa, he said, "Neither the movement of cruising ships nor the rumble of armaments which echoes along the shore is able to interfere with your mystic faith."—United Press.

British Ships' Rescue Work

Sudden Squall Near Swatow

Swatow, May 8.—A squall, reaching gale force, yesterday evening caught refugees returning from Kachich, and many sampans were upset.

The destroyer Thracian and the steamer Haiching saved many lives.

The death roll has not yet been ascertained.—Reuter.

China's Long "Purgatory"

LONDON, May 8. "CHINA'S seat of Government has been subjected to the most terrible air attack of any war," says the "News-Chronicle" today.

"The war in China dragged on a long while, but there is no reason why we, in the West, should forget it. China's long purgatory may well mean the ultimate discomfiture of a dangerous aggressor."—Reuter.

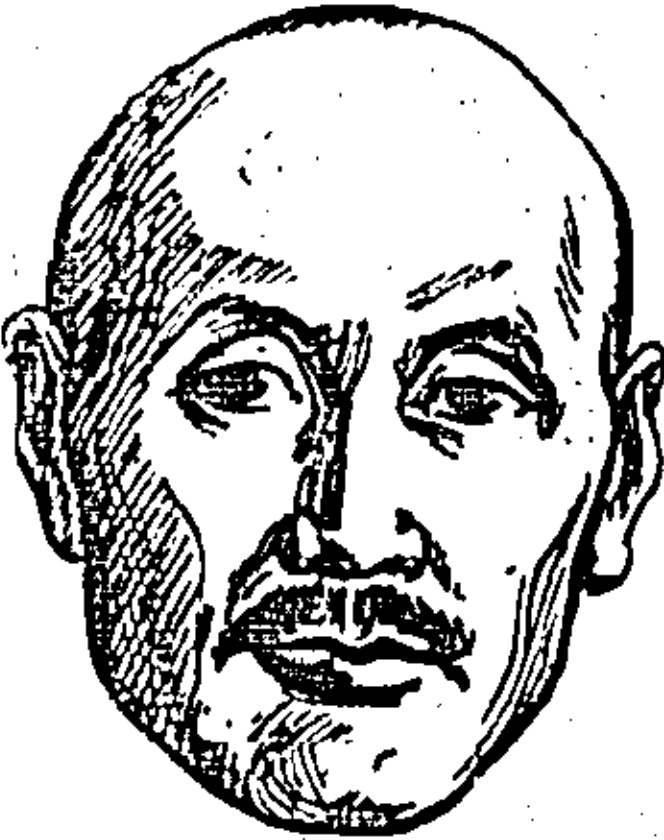
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McNutt May Resign

U.S. Commissioner Leaving Manila

MANILA, May 7.—Mr. Paul McNutt, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, to-day announced that he is proceeding to China on May 11 aboard the U. S. transport Chaumont.

He will proceed to the United States from Shanghai aboard the President Coolidge on May 31, arriving at San Francisco on June 22.

His future plans were not announced although it is believed locally that he will resign as High Commissioner after a visit to Washington.

His financial adviser, Mr. Weldon Jones will act as High Commissioner during his absence.

It is believed that Mr. McNutt will visit North China before his departure from Shanghai. His friends and various officials have been requested to forego any formal functions for his send-off.—United Press.

Former Consular Officer Dies

London, May 8. The death is announced of Sir Herbert Goffe, K.B.E., C.M.G., former British consular official in China. He was 69 years of age.—Reuter.

Sir Herbert Goffe was a student-interpreter in China from 1899 to 1902, and became a first-class assistant in 1909. He was acting Vice-Consul at Chienchiang, Korea from 1909 to 1912, and held a similar office in Chengtu from 1912 to 1917, in Wuhu in 1917, and in Nanjing in 1919.

He was awarded the Coronation Medal in 1911, and from 1911 to 1912 was acting Consul-General at Hankow, and in 1912 was appointed Consul-General at Yunnanfu (now Kunming). He was officiating Consul-General at Tientsin in 1918, and was Consul-General at Hankow in 1920.

Morris Motors Big Dividend

The directors of Morris Motors today announced a dividend of 45 per cent. on the £2,650,000 of Ordinary stock for the year, this being the same as for each of the two preceding years.

Net profits for 1938 are stated at £1,357,220, compared with £1,821,602 for 1937.

£40 Brooch Lost

A diamond brooch valued at £40 was lost by Mrs. MacGregor, 5 Garden Terrace, while travelling between the house and H.M.S. Medway on Saturday.

Mrs. Freeman Stanley, has reported to the Police the loss of her diamond wrist watch valued at \$150 last Thursday.

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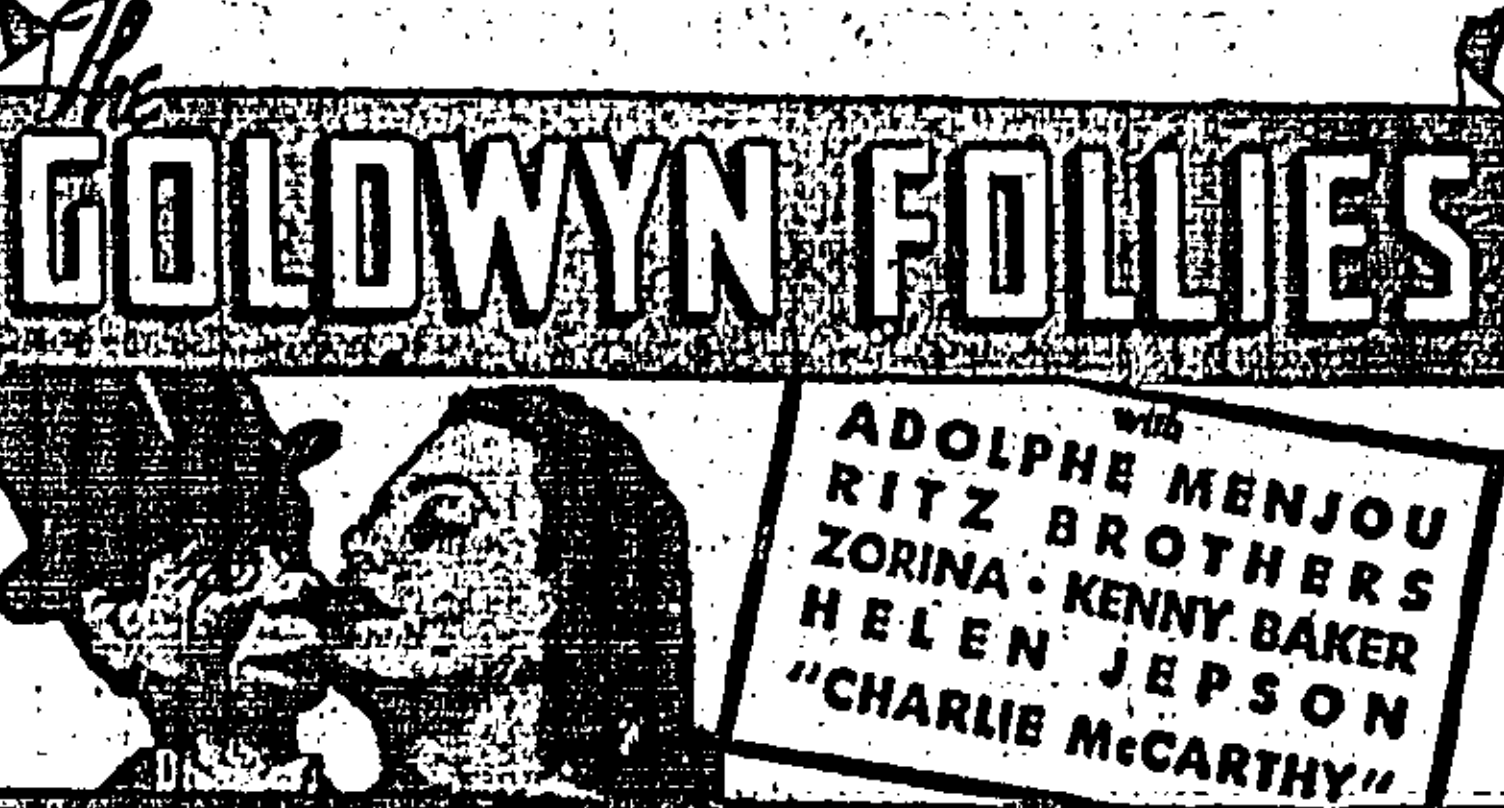
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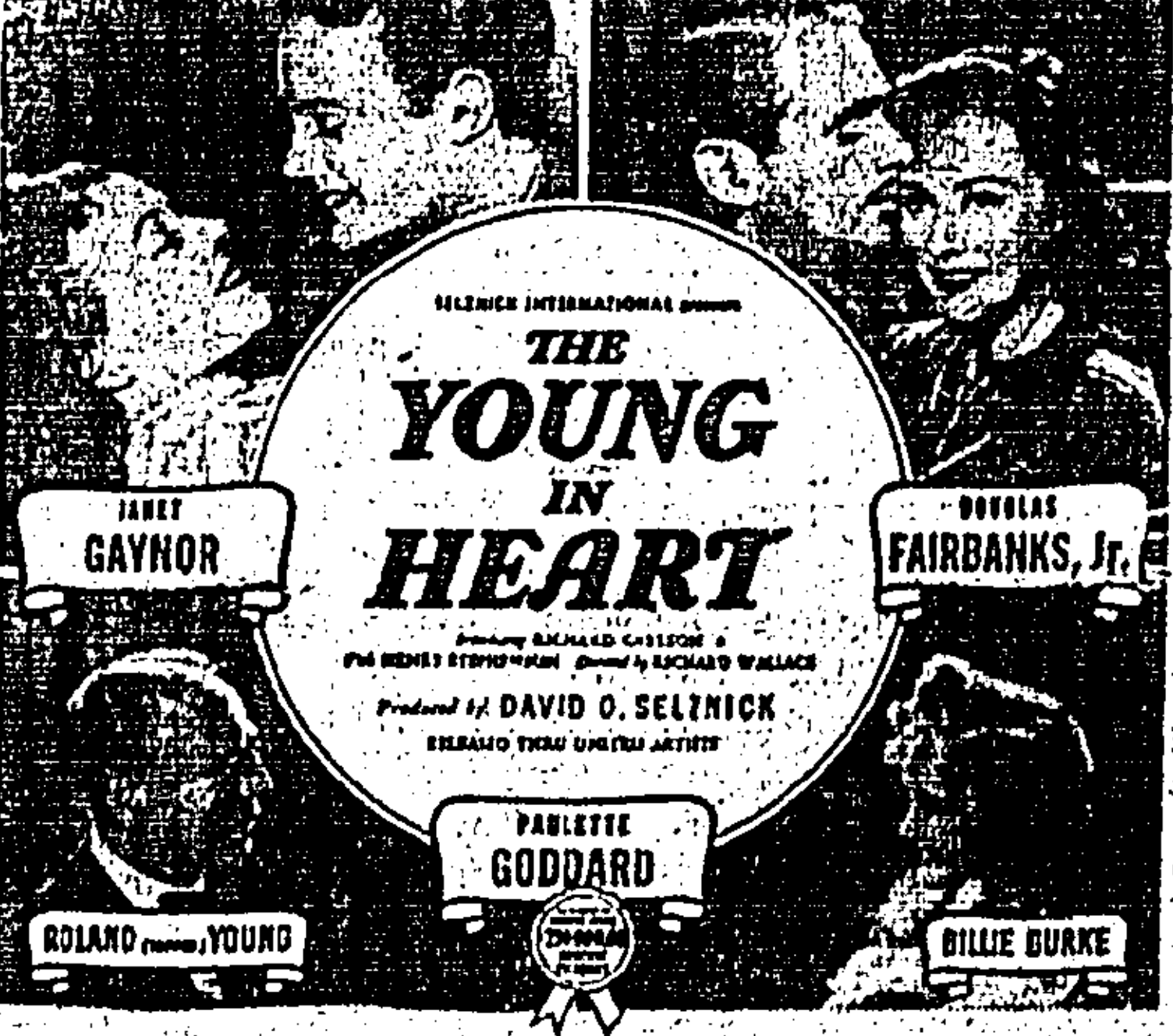
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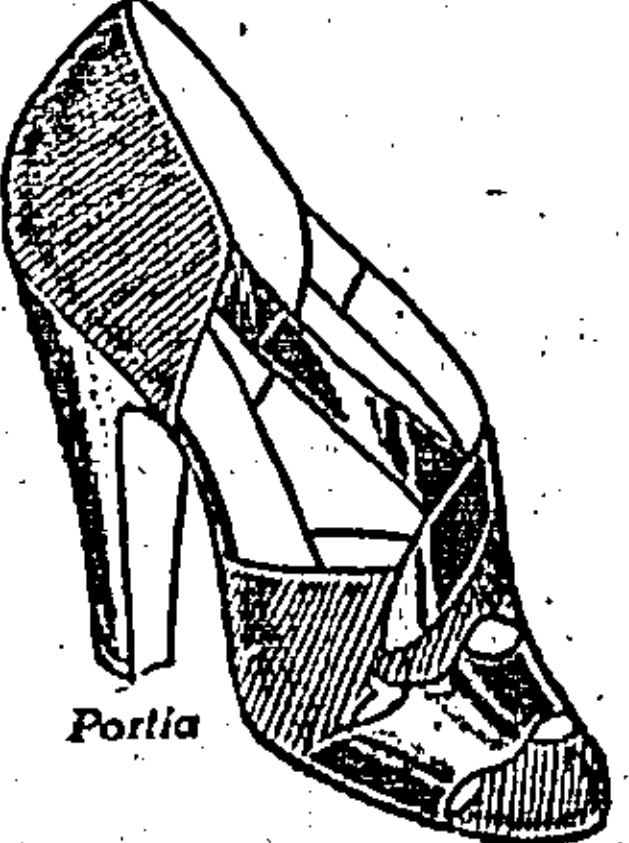
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